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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	6.37	8.00	9.15	10.05	12.02	1.15	2.37	3.00	4.37	5.45
Yau Ma Tei ...Dep.	6.45	8.08	9.24	10.14	12.09	1.21	2.44	3.07	4.44	5.52
Shatin ...Dep.	6.57	8.10	9.26	10.16	12.11	1.23	2.46	3.09	4.46	5.54
Tai Po ...Dep.	7.11	8.14	9.30	10.20	12.15	1.27	2.50	3.13	4.50	5.58
Tai Po Market ...Dep.	7.19	8.22	9.38	10.28	12.23	1.35	2.58	3.21	4.58	6.06
Shing Mun ...Dep.	7.27	8.30	9.46	10.36	12.31	1.43	3.06	3.29	5.06	6.14
Shing Mun ...Dep.	7.39	8.42	9.58	10.48	12.43	1.55	3.18	3.41	5.18	6.26
Sham Shui ...Dep.	7.47	8.50	10.06	10.56	12.51	2.03	3.26	3.49	5.26	6.34
Sham Shui ...Dep.	7.59	9.02	10.18	11.08	12.59	2.15	3.38	3.61	5.38	6.46
Sham Shui ...Dep.	8.07	9.10	10.26	11.16	13.07	2.27	3.50	4.13	5.50	6.58
Canton ...Arr.	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50

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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Fanning ...Dep.	7.45	8.05	9.15	10.15	12.15	1.35	2.55	4.15
Shatin ...Dep.	8.40	9.00	10.10	11.10	13.10	1.40	3.00	4.20
Shatin ...Dep.	8.15	8.35	9.45	10.45	12.45	1.55	3.15	4.35
Fanning ...Dep.	7.10	8.30	9.40	10.40	12.40	1.50	3.10	4.30

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H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH AT THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Before the Colonial Secretary introduced the Budget for 1928 to the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon, H.E. the Governor gave a review of the Colony's financial history for the past thirty years. It was a record of remarkable progress which was followed with the closest attention. The broad facts may have been known but they were lucidly marshalled and the few comparative figures given emphasised in a striking manner the great strides which the Colony has made during the last three decades. "And," declared His Excellency in conclusion, "I am quite sure that the future holds even better things in store." It was an expression of opinion which the rounds of applause showed was thoroughly endorsed by every member of Council present.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR said—Honourable Members of the Legislative Council—When framing the Colony's budget for a future year, it is always wise to look back over the past, in order to estimate the stability of our financial position, to measure the rate of colonial progress and development, and thereby to get an insight (if possible) into what the coming years have in store for us. Such retrospect is valuable even in normal times; but, when times are abnormal, when the Colony has been subjected to special storm and strain, when China—of which Hong Kong is geographically speaking a part—has been swept by Bolshevism and devastated by civil war, and when in the end of the chaos and anarchy now unhappily prevalent in the Eighteen Provinces is not yet in sight, retrospect becomes essential and must be carried further into the past than usual. On this occasion, therefore, as a preface to the introduction of next year's budget by the Colonial Secretary, I propose briefly to review the Colony's financial history for the past thirty years, from 1897 to 1926, both years included.

Chronologists reckon thirty years to be a generation, and the thirty years in question do in fact coincide with the service in Hong Kong of several official members now seated at this Council table. They coincide very nearly with the period of my own experience of Hong Kong, and there are also unofficial members of this Council who have had personal knowledge of Hong Kong throughout these years. I have, however, chosen this period mainly for three other reasons, the first being that it is practically co-extensive with the time during which the New Territories have formed part of the Colony; the second being that 1900 was the Boer year and that useful lessons may be drawn from a comparison of conditions in the Colony then and now, and the third being that at the commencement of this period our 1893 loan had been fully expended and that since then the Colony's development has been financed almost entirely from annual revenue.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES.

Thirty years ago, on the 1st January, 1897, the Colony's surplus balances amounted to \$548,984. The revenue of the Colony collected during 1897 was \$2,666,914 and the expenditure was \$2,644,400. The total civil population of the Colony in that year was estimated to be 240,665 souls; the total shipping engaged in foreign trade entered and cleared at Hong Kong, excluding junks, was 12,124,596 tons and of this total 67 per cent was British. "It is interesting to place in immediate juxtaposition the figures for last year. On the 1st January, 1926, the Colony's surplus balances amounted to \$3,113,462. The revenue collected during 1926 was \$21,131,581 and the expenditure was \$20,524,715. The total civil population of the Colony was estimated to be 874,430 souls; the total shipping engaged in foreign trade entered and cleared at Hong Kong, excluding junks, was 26,983,190 tons and of this total 54 per cent was British. Therefore, during these thirty years the Colony's revenue increased more than eight-fold, its population was more than trebled, and its shipping engaged in foreign trade, exclusive of junks, was more than doubled. This is a wonderful record and the remarkable continuity of the progress made is shown in a sessional paper which has to-day been laid on the table.

The revenue increased steadily from \$2,666,914 in 1897 to \$7,035,011 in 1906. Then there was a brief set-back, for the revenue in 1907 was only \$6,602,280 and in 1908 it fell to \$6,104,207. Thereafter the increase was again continuous until in 1918 the revenue collected was \$13,665,248. There followed another set-back, the revenue for 1919 being \$10,524,974, for 1920 being \$14,689,671 and for 1921 being \$17,723,131. Thereafter the revenue suddenly leaped up again, reaching the Colony's record, namely \$24,783,762, in 1923. Since then there has been another decline; but even so the revenue collected last year was \$21,131,581, appreciably more than in any year of the Colony's history prior to 1922.

The Council will see that during the thirty years under review there has thrice been a set-back in the steady expansion of the colonial revenue, the first in 1907-8, the second in 1919-21, while the third is being experienced at the present time. On the first of these occasions the trouble was due to trade depression consequent on over-speculation in 1904, followed in 1905 by the boycott of American goods in China as a protest against the United States' exclusion law. Imports to, and exports from, China fell off. Moreover, the reduction of the British fleet in China, which took place at this time, adversely affected Hong Kong in many ways, especially by a decrease in the repairing and docking of ships. The general trade depression continued in 1906, when there were heavy losses through the fall in price of Indian yarn, while shares in local undertakings much depreciated in value. It was accentuated towards the end of 1907 by world-wide restriction of commerce following upon a financial crisis in America. Shipping in particular suffered and the same trouble continued in 1908. Thereafter a gradual improvement began both in trade and in shipping, and this was at once reflected in an improved collection of revenue in Hong Kong.

AFTER THE GREAT WAR.

The second set-back was during the years of world-wide disorganization which followed the conclusion of the Great War. The trade depression of that time was by no means confined to Hong Kong, but it was aggravated here by the disturbed state of the neighbouring province of Kuang-tung and of China generally. Eventually, however, this very state of chaos and anarchy in China reacted beneficially upon the revenues of Hong Kong, because the Chinese realized that this Colony afforded a safe refuge from the storm and they, therefore, became anxious in increasing numbers to find some foothold within it. There followed a land-boom in Hong Kong and Kowloon, and the recent statistics of the revenue of this Colony from land-sales are so significant that I give them in full:

1919 revenue from land-sales	8,293,590
1920 do.	5,556,840
1921 do.	3,634,068
1922 do.	2,721,804
1923 do.	3,485,767
1924 do.	1,609,226
1925 do.	570,243
1926 do.	280,242

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DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m., and King Edward Hotel, 8 p.m.
Ping Pong League: St. Peter's Y.M.C. v. C.R.C. (C.C.Y.M.S.).
Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.—"Cheer O": Concert, 7 p.m.; "Better Ole": Variety Concert, 7 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Queen's Theatre: "Johnny Get Your Hair Cut" (Jackie Coogan).
World Theatre: "The Seven Keys to Baldpate."
Star Theatre: "Wild Oats Lane."
Principal Mails: Inward: Europe via Siberia (Mores); Europe via Suez (Khyber). Outward: Australia, New Zealand, etc. (Tanda), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Khyber), 3.30 p.m.

Saturday.
New Territory Agricultural Show Committee meeting, Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.
Lawn Bowls League—Division I: K.D.R.C. v. Tai Po; R.C. v. K.B.C.C. v. C.S.C.C. Division II: Yacht Club v. Kowloon C.C.
H.K. Baseball League: Club de Recreo v. Japanese, Happy Valley Diamond, 4 p.m.
St. Peter's Y.M.C. launch picnic. Launch leaves Queen's Pier, 3.45 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. St. Louis Club (Y.M.C.A.).
Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.—Grand Concert, City Hall, 8.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and King Edward Hotel.
Victoria Recreation Club 4th Night Fete, 9 p.m.
Concert at Kowloon C.C. for funds for Service Entertainment, 8.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Johnny Get Your Hair Cut" (Jackie Coogan).
World Theatre: "The Seven Keys to Baldpate."
Star Theatre: "Wild Oats Lane."
Principal Mails: Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Mores), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.
12th Sunday after Trinity.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.
Inter-Departmental Bowls Competition, Happy Valley.
H.K. Baseball League: Filipinos v. "Tigers" (S.C.A.A.), Happy Valley Diamond, 4 p.m.
Open-Air Concert by Military band, Kowloon Dock Bathing Beach, 5 p.m.
Social Gathering, St. John's Cathedral Hall, after Evensong (8 p.m.).
Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.—Men's Meetings: "Cheer O," 7.45 p.m.; "Better Ole," 8 p.m.
After dinner dance, Lee Gardens.
Principal Mails: Inward: America, Canada, etc. (President Grant).

Monday.
Labour Day (U.S.A.).
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.
Chinese Language School under auspices of H.K. General Chamber of Commerce, re-opens.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m., and King Edward Hotel, 8 p.m.
Annual Meeting: Club de Recreo, Y.M.C.A. (Y.M.C.A.), 5.30 p.m.
Annual meeting H.K. Hockey Club, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.
Water Polo League: K.B.S.F.P.A. "A" v. 2nd Scots Guards; Royal Navy v. V.R.C. "B".
Ping Pong League: Hop Ying Club v. St. Louis Club (C.C.Y.M.S.).
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.

Tuesday.
Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Meeting of Management Committee of H.K. Football League, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.
Ping Pong League: Club de Recreo v. C.A.A. (Y.M.C.A.), 5.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and after dinner dance at Lee Gardens.
Principal Mails: Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Mores), 2.30 p.m.; Canada, America, etc., Europe via Siberia and via Victoria, B.C. (President Jefferson), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m., and King Edward Hotel, 8 p.m.
H.K. Baseball League: Japanese v. Filipinos, Happy Valley Diamond, 5.15 p.m.
Water Polo League: V.R.C. "B" v. 2nd Scots Guards; K.B.S.F.P.A. "B" v. K.B.S.F.P.A. "A".

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SPECIAL CONSIDERATION TO APPLICATIONS FROM
SMALL LOCAL INVESTORS.

Following the introduction of the Budget at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday, the Colonial Secretary moved the first reading of an Ordinance to make provision for a loan of \$3,000,000 for the carrying out of certain public works. The loan will be floated at par and will carry interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum. Bonds will be in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 and special consideration will be given to the applications of small local investors. It is proposed to float \$3,000,000 of the loan next month.

The Colonial Secretary said:

I rise to move the First Reading of an Ordinance to make provision for a loan of \$3,000,000 for the carrying out of certain Public Works.

I have, I think, already dealt sufficiently fully in my remarks, when introducing the Budget at an earlier stage of this afternoon's proceedings, with the causes which have led the Government to a decision that the Colony can no longer finance expensive schemes, largely intended for the benefit of posterity, from current revenue and surplus balances. We need our revenue and our remaining balances for our current needs. I have also given sufficient details of the works for which it is proposed to utilize the loan, now under consideration; and I need not repeat them here, but I might emphasize the fact that, of the amount set out in the allocation for Waterworks Development, a sum of \$1,915,408 has already been expended from our surplus balances, and will be at once restored to those balances as soon as the loan is floated. This procedure was foreshadowed by Sir R. E. Stubbs when he introduced the Budget in 1925. The technical details of the bill are explained in the statement of objects and reasons.

The question of the kind of loan to be floated was very carefully considered by the Government. It was found that with the repayment of the \$3,000,000 War Loan there existed a very definite desire for a local Dollar Loan, and the Government has every reason to believe that the new loan will be fully subscribed. Such a loan to be attractive locally had to be at six per cent. It might have been

possible to float a Sterling Loan in London at a small discount at a slightly lower rate of interest, but after mature consideration it was thought to be in the best interests of the Colony to float a local 6 per cent. loan in Dollars at par. It may well be that, when things have settled down in China and the commerce of the Colony is once more prospering, it may be possible to float a Sterling Loan at a considerably lower rate of interest and for a considerably larger amount, wherewith to redeem this loan, which has advisedly been made a short term loan, and to finance some of the large schemes of development which are for the moment held in abeyance. The present moment is not a favourable one for raising money in London for anything connected with China. As Your Excellency has pointed out our indebtedness is so small that our credit should stand high, and we hope to reap the full advantage of this in the future when Chinese investments are less unattractive than they are just now.

It is proposed to raise \$3,000,000 out of the amount authorized by the Bill in November next. Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 and applications from small local investors will receive special consideration. We shall continue to advance money from our balances for loan works so long as we can do so without embarrassment, as no advantage is to be gained from borrowing money at 6 per cent while we have balances available. When this is no longer possible we propose to raise the remaining portion of the loan and recoup our balances therefrom. The proposals will I trust receive the unanimous approval of the Council.

THE COLONY'S HEALTH.

MEDICAL REPORT FOR
1926.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The medical report for 1926 has just been published. The amount sanctioned in the estimates for the upkeep of the Medical Department was \$769,911. The expenditure was \$723,234.88. The revenue received totalled \$255,070.19, under the following headings:—

Medical treatment	\$ 78,092.98
Medical certificates	35.00
Bacteriological	
Examinations	7,220.41
Chemical Analyses	16,422.50
Bills of Health	9,342.00
Medical Examination of Emigrants	143,957.30

Population.
The population of the Colony is estimated to be—British and foreign civilians 16,500; Chinese civilians 857,920.

The total number of Chinese births registered was 2,032; and the total number of non-Chinese births 163. The general birth rate for the civil population is said to be 4.5 and that of the Chinese 4.18 per 1,000. It is admitted, however, that it is impossible to arrive at a correct estimate of the Chinese birth rate.

The total number of deaths was 12,516 and the general civilian death rate was 15.9 per 1,000. Of this total there were 12,338 Chinese and 180 non-Chinese civilians; the death rates being respectively 15.01 and 10.9 per 1,000.

Among infants of one month or less, 12 non-Chinese and 822 Chinese died. Of these infants, who were more than a month old but less than

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AN OPEN LETTER.

A MATTER OF GENERAL INTEREST.

My Dear Rupert,

Many thanks for your letter of the 30th inst., sorry not to have replied before—I've been so busy fixing up the programme for the Kowloon Cricket Club concert. You are quite correct about the date, Saturday, September 3rd (9.15 p.m.).

Your assumption that the public will get a jolly evening and will leave the grounds in a jocular mood is also correct.

Yes, Hubert and his merry lads will be at the far end of the ground dispensing fine fermented and other produce as usual—for he knows his onions.

Take my tip and get your spouse to be on time, otherwise you may have to take a back seat.

See you on the 3rd. Love to Priscilla.

EMMANUEL.

a year, 15 non-Chinese and 3,400 Chinese died.

Malaria.
Both hospital admissions and the total number of deaths from the disease show that malaria was somewhat less prevalent than during the previous year; the figures are—

	1925.	1926.
Hospital admissions	2,490	2,259
Deaths	702	537

Tuberculosis.
The disease is very prevalent and was responsible for 15.27 per cent. of the total deaths in 1926. The prospect of being able to do much to mitigate this disease in the Colony is not a bright one. It would necessitate a complete alteration of the mode of life and habits of the large majority of the population.

DOG SHOOTING ON THE PEAK.

THE GOVERNMENT'S WARNING.

LAW TO BE RIGOROUSLY ENFORCED.

ANSWERS TO "HON. MR. BERNARD'S QUESTIONS."

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard asked the following questions:

Will the Government cause an enquiry to be held into

(a) the circumstances connected with the shooting of dogs at Jardine's Corner, Peak, on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning, the 23rd and 24th July, having due regard to the people using the roads and the necessity or otherwise of such drastic action;

(b) the method of enforcing the muzzling regulations and make recommendations for the future?

The Colonial Secretary, in reply, stated: (a) The Government has caused full enquiries to be made into the occurrences referred to in the first part of the Honourable Member's question. The shooting near Jardine's Corner was carried out by experienced Police Officers as the result of a complaint from a Peak resident of the danger to children from the presence of so many unmuzzled dogs in that neighbourhood, and the Government much regrets that by an error of judgment the shooting took place in the presence of children and that one child received a slight scratch apparently from a "ricochet" or a piece of stone. Orders have been issued that every possible care is to be taken to avoid the shooting of dogs in the presence of children, but it is obvious that the presence of spectators cannot always be avoided. The Government much regrets the necessity for undertaking the unpleasant duty of shooting dogs, but this necessity is forced upon it by the wholesale disregard of the law by dog-owners in this Colony. Among these law-breakers are to be numbered many Peak residents. It must be within the knowledge of all Honourable Members that, even since the occurrences, referred to, dog-owners on the Peak and elsewhere still permit their dogs to roam about unmuzzled. As to the necessity for drastic action on the Peak as well as elsewhere it does not seem necessary to add anything to the bare statement of the fact that no less than 20 dogs from the Peak have been reported to the Police as having bitten people since the 1st January, 1926, that there were 151 reported cases of persons, being bitten by dogs in Hong Kong Island since that date; 11 reported cases of rabies and 11 reported cases of hydrophobia. The risk of the terrible disease of hydrophobia arising from the presence of unmuzzled dogs in a Colony infected with rabies appears to be quite inadequately appreciated.

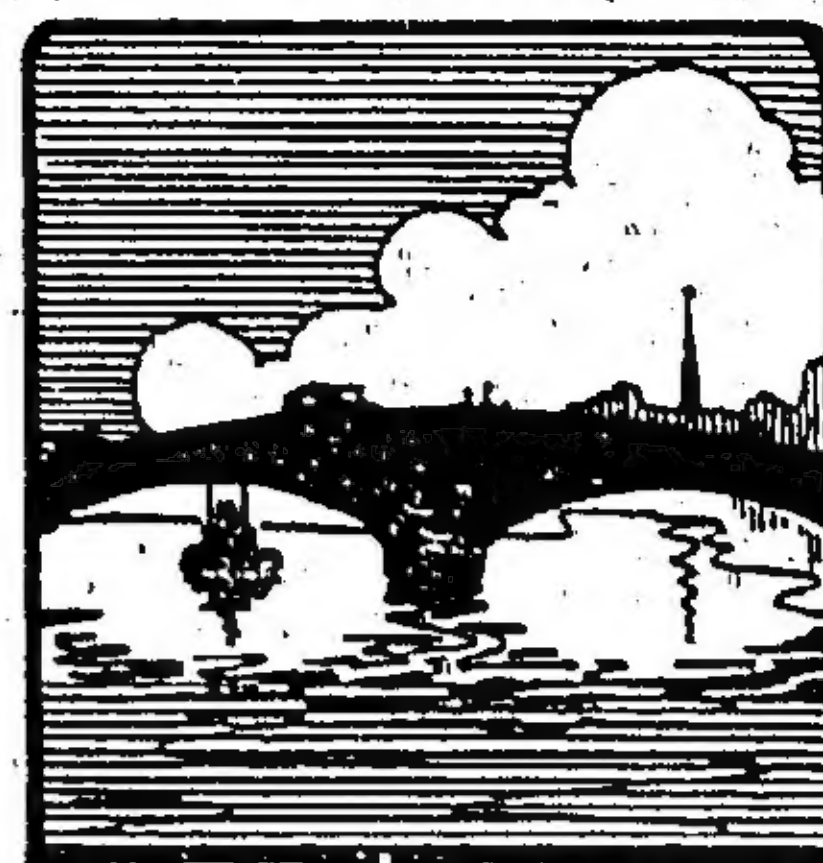
(b) With regard to the second part of the Honourable Member's question the Muzzling Regulations will be enforced by prosecution of owners, capture of dogs when this is practicable and can be effected without undue risk of danger to the Public Servants employed, and by shooting. As regards the future, the Government is determined that dog-owners shall not, by their disregard of the law, imperil the lives of others and propose, after this public warning, to give orders for the most rigorous enforcement of the law with a view to the extermination here, as in other law abiding countries, of the scourge of rabies and the danger of hydrophobia.

Supplementary Queries.

Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard: Arising out of the replies to my questions I should like to ask (1) what experience is considered necessary before Police Officers are entrusted with the duty of shooting dogs and (2) what weapons are used.

The Colonial Secretary asked that notice might be given of these questions.

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HONG KONG IS LIVING UP TO ITS REPUTATION. LAST WEEK WE HAD A TYPHOON OF CONSIDERABLE FORCE. THIS WEEK WE HAVE HAD A TYPHOON "SCARE" AND TWO MORE PIRACIES AT BIAS BAY.

In Canton, at the present moment, the difficulties seem to be of a financial nature. There has been a run on the Central Bank, through which the Government authorities conduct the greater part of their financial business, and the merchants generally are protesting strongly against the extraordinary demands for money which are now being made upon them for military expenses.

According to reports from the Yangtze the Northern troops have gained substantial victories.

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DETAILS OF THE "YAT SHING" PIRACY.

AN EFFICIENT AND CONSIDERATE GANG OF RUFFIANS.

ABOUT \$13,000 TAKEN "BUT A "POOR HAUL."

THE CAPTAIN'S OFFICIAL REPORT.

Further details of the piracy of the s.s. "Yat Shing," of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, were obtainable yesterday, following the completion of statements to the police. The officers and passengers had more or less recovered from their unenviable experience, and were able to give a fuller story of the piracy.

As stated yesterday, the *Yat Shing*, is the second Indo-China steamer to fall into the hands of the Bina Bay pirates this year, the *Hop Sang*, on the same run, having been pirated in March.

Similarities.

There were several similarities between the pirating of the *Yat Shing* and the *Hop Sang*. Both vessels were captured after leaving Swatow, but the *Yat Shing* was on her way to Shanghai and Swatow, while the *Hop Sang* was on the trip from Shanghai to Hong Kong and Swatow. Both pirates were comparatively new to piracy, although by no means pleasant experience. In this instance no one was hurt, only a little of the cargo was taken, and the officers' losses were small. It would seem that about \$10,000 to \$12,000 should cover all losses approximately, the same amount as in the case of the *Hop Sang*.

The usual procedure was adopted by the pirates. Officers on duty were first surprised and put under strong guard at their posts, and then passengers and other officers were attended to and kept confined, and then the ship was set on a course for Bina Bay.

Fifth This Year.

This makes the fifth piracy of steamers this year. The Norwegian ship *Solviken* suffered just a month ago, a haul of \$30,000 being made, and the Captain died from wounds received in his attempt to defend the vessel. Prior to that there was the *Hop Sang* in March, the *Seng Bee* and the *Wing Wo* in January.

The *Yat Shing* left Hong Kong on Sunday for Shanghai, arriving at Swatow on Monday morning. She left there on Tuesday morning at 7.30, not on Monday as was inadvertently stated yesterday. It was two hours later that the pirates, who had boarded at Swatow as deck passengers, made their presence known. They remained on the ship until Wednesday morning, when they disembarked in the neighbourhood of Bina Bay, which had been reached the previous night at 11 o'clock.

European Passengers.

The three European passengers on board were Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Brown, of the Naval Yard, and Mr. Meikle, a first officer of the Indo-China Navigation Company, travelling on duty to Shanghai. The Japanese lady who embarked at Swatow was Mrs. Bartolini, the wife of a customs official in Swatow, with her two children, Miss Valerie, aged 12, and Master Giulio, aged 10, who were being taken back to school.

Plight of Officers.

Mr. E. Grainger, the third engineer, had relieved the Chief Engineer, Mr. A. Livingstone, shortly after 8.30 a.m. for breakfast. He should have been relieved again at 9.45 a.m., but at 9.20, the pirates entered the engine room with revolvers, and intimidated that the ship had been captured and the Chief Engineer confined to his room. They then gave orders through one of the firemen that they wanted more steam in order to reach Bina Bay as quickly as possible. Mr. Grainger was forced to carry out this order.

The second officer, Mr. C. Harris, was on the bridge, and was compelled to remain there for twenty-four hours carrying out the orders of the pirates at the point of a revolver.

Confined Under Guard.

In the meantime the officers and passengers had been placed in the mess-room, with two stewards in attendance. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Bartolini were not interfered with, but Mr. Brown was put under guard in the mess room with the officers and Mr. Meikle. Although tea, coffee, lemonade, beer, sandwiches and "smokes" were allowed, the passengers and officers had to keep their hands above the table, and eventually a troubled sleep overcame most of them through sheer weariness.

The pirates certainly showed consideration for their prisoners. A window from the upper-deck was broken to allow air to enter the overheated mess room, and a fan was later introduced. Eventually the party were removed under guard to the stateroom, and later to the saloon.

The Losses.

The losses of passengers and officers appears to have been generally confined to petty thefts of individual members of the pirate band of such articles as pins, studs,

ing Swatow. The Captain was kept in the mess-room until about noon, when he and the other Europeans were all put into a passenger cabin. One of the pirates then asked for the Captain, and Captain Hodgson was taken to the bridge by two pirates. None of the pirates spoke English, but the No. 2 Comprodor was called upon to act as interpreter and he interpreted the pirates' orders to the Captain on the bridge. Mr. Harris, the Second Officer, was also there with five pirates.

A course was steered for Hong Kong, the pirates often asking the Captain questions about Chinese places like Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin, and Tientsin. Captain Hodgson was ordered later to steer for Tam Chay Inlet. The *Yat Shing* after dusk, at about 8 p.m., headed for the Inlet, but at 9.10 p.m., owing to rain, Captain Hodgson decided to anchor as the visibility was poor, the spot being located as in lat. 22.38 N., long. 115.03 E.

After dealing with the landing of the pirates Captain Hodgson states that he could observe no village near the spot, but he saw some men on the island, who might have been acting as sentries for the pirates. After all the pirates had landed with their loot and hostages, they ordered Captain Hodgson and crew to return to the ship. There were about 13 pirates in all, mostly armed with revolvers, and some had knives and choppers.

Captain Hodgson got the ship under way at 10.45 a.m. on Wednesday after staying for five hours at Bina Bay. A course was set for Shanghai, but shortly afterwards a steam launch was seen heading towards the *Yat Shing*, several junk and sampans were also observed heading in the same direction from the shore, and as the pirates had said that other pirates might attack them if they did not leave quickly, the ship was turned toward Hong Kong, which was reached, as stated just after 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

Pirates Disappointed.

In his report to the Police, the Captain states that there were no casualties, excepting that a European, Mr. Meikle, was cut slightly in the hand. No bullion was carried, and the pirates told the Master when they left that they had only \$3,000. They expressed disappointment at their haul, and the firearms on board were taken by the pirates, and nearly all the food was eaten by them, very little being left.

The Master could not describe the pirates in detail, but said the man who appeared to be their leader was of medium height and build, and was dressed in dark clothes, with shoes and socks.

THE COMPRODOR'S STORY.

DISGUISE GIVEN AWAY.

Mr. J. Chu, comprador of the pirated vessel when interviewed by our representative yesterday said that his safe was broken open by the pirates and about \$3,000 stolen. The money was in Hong Kong and Shanghai currency. He said that when he heard that pirates were on board, he at once disguised himself as a greaser and went down to the engine room, mingling with the engine hands there. "On board, I could hear the pirates making enquiries for me, but they failed to find me until a few hours after. I do not know who gave me away, but two pirates walked into the engine-room and told me that I need not hide any longer. They wanted me to act as interpreter. I had no alternative but to comply and after making their wishes known to the captain, I was taken back to my cabin. Once inside my cabin, the pirates asked me to hand out all the cash I had. They broke open my safe and took away \$1,000."

Mr. Chu further stated that the pirates had kidnapped seven steerage passengers for ransom, and the value of cargo taken by the robbers was estimated at about \$1,000. Thieves very much like this, he said, take ten cases away from the Comprador. Mr. Chu said that in his opinion, he would say the total loot was well within the neighbourhood of \$20,000. The steerage passengers had some money with them and they were robbed of every cent they had.

LADY PASSENGER'S ORDEAL.

Mrs. Bartolini, wife of a Customs Official at Swatow, who took passage at that port with her two children for Shanghai, told a *Daily Press* representative that she was more than thankful that her children and herself had come out of the ordeal unharmed. "What they took away from me, does not matter. I am glad to see my children playing about. I was taking them back to school in Shanghai. I had about \$80 with me for incidental expenses and a cheque which the pirates did not take. They took my chain and my daughter's small Communion chain and some small articles of jewellery. Altogether I lost about \$250, but that does not matter. The pirates, before they left, broke open my daughter's trunk and scattered all her clothing about."

Mrs. Bartolini with a smile said that the pirates were very smart men. "Why," if they had taken my cheque, instead of throwing it on the deck, and tried to cash it in Shanghai, the Police would surely have made an arrest."

BREAKING DOWN RESISTANCE.

DRASTIC ACTION AGAINST MONEY GUILDS.

CANTON EXCHANGES AND BANKS CLOSED.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Money Changers' Guild is continuing its resistance to the Government's demand for a levy of \$4,000,000 and Mr. Koo Ying-Fun, the Chief of the Financial Department, has sent an ultimatum. His message declared that if they did not accept the Government's terms by noon yesterday, very drastic action would be taken. As a preliminary the Canton police attempted to arrest the Guild's representative on the General Chamber of Commerce. They searched his residence and several other likely places but failed to find him.

On Wednesday the Government instructed the Finance Department to warn the Money Changers' Guild that if they did not comply with their demands and raise the \$4,000,000 required from them before September 1st the Government would close all the money exchange shops and small banks. All their account books would be detained and go through with a view to assessing their assets, their safes would be forced open by the police officers and their ready cash, both silver and notes, would be confiscated.

At noon yesterday strong detachments of armed police were placed on guard on all "money shops" and banks in Taiping Street (the Thredneedle Street) of Canton. A Government notice was posted on the doors of the Bank of Canton declaring that last year, when there was a run on this bank the Central Bank financed it to the extent of \$500,000, but now the Bank of Canton was ungrateful and unpatriotic enough to refuse to assist the Government at a time when financial help was badly needed. This however is entirely untrue. The Bank of Canton received no such assistance.

The more important members of the Banks' staff are in hiding or have left the City and the police are now searching for the chairman of the General Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Chow Chi-Pang, and the comprador of the Taiwan Bank, but both of these gentlemen have made themselves scarce.

Owing to the run on the Central Bank the Government declared a ban on the export of silver from Canton. The money changers, however, were suspected of smuggling coin out of the City and a detachment of armed police were there to force stationed on the Shakes Road. On Wednesday five persons were arrested on a charge of taking silver to the Shamen and they are now awaiting trial at Police Headquarters.

POLITICAL AND MILITARY CHANGES.

Another wholesale re-shuffling of positions among the high officials is expected in Canton shortly. It is believed that Mr. Koo Ying-Fun, the chief of the Financial Department of the Canton Provincial Government and concurrently Finance Minister of the Nanking Government, will resign the former post and that the vacancy will be filled by Mr. Feng Man-Chuk, now the Chief of the Labour Department. It is thought also that a post in the judicial Department will possibly be given to Mr. Chen Yang.

General Wang Chun, who was recently appointed by the Nanking Government to the command of the Chao-Mui districts, is now on his way to Swatow to take up his post.

General Fan Sheng, the commander of the Kuomintang 16th Army Corps, has suggested to Canton Military Headquarters that General Li Shui Chung be appointed to command the remainder of the Yunnanese troops. General Fan's main force is in Northern Kwangtung but he claims to have 30,000 men in Yunnan.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

REPORT FOR 1926.

INCREASE IN TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

The annual report of the working of the Kowloon-Canton Railway for 1926 shows that the total passenger receipts amounted to \$427,250.22 as against \$332,293.31 for the previous year, and the goods receipts were \$25,991.33 or \$4,036.60 more than the previous year. The Through and Joint Sectional Traffic receipts were \$29,291.91 as compared with \$17,523.34 for the year 1925. The operating expenses of the line exceeded the revenue by \$101,742.07.

APPEAL LODGED INCORRECTLY.

"CROWN IMPROPERLY BROUGHT BEFORE COURT."

40 STOLEN PIGS' CASE DISMISSED.

The Full Court, with the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) and the acting Puisne (Judge Mr. P. J. Jackson) on the Bench, sat at the Supreme Court yesterday morning to hear an appeal against a decision made by the Magistrate at the Kowloon Magistracy in a case against two Chinese. They had been charged with having forty pigs in their possession, the pigs having been stolen, and they were each fined \$150.

Mr. Hing Shing Lo (instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ) appeared for appellant, and Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy was for the Crown.

Mr. Justice Wood drew Mr. Hing Shing Lo's attention to the wording of the Magistracy Ordinance and asked whether the notice of appeal was sent to the complainant within fourteen days of the delivery of the stated case.

Mr. Lo replied that notice of appeal had been sent within the prescribed period.

When the complainant, who was in Court, was asked by His Lordship whether he had received the notice he said he had not.

Counsel replied that the papers were served on the complainant's solicitors.

His Lordship: It is addressed to the Crown. Why was it served on Mr. Hall?

Counsel: I think that was a mistake.

His Lordship: You are proceeding under a motion which is not addressed to the respondent.

Counsel: I should like to apply for leave to amend the motion. It is very unfortunate that the mistake crept in.

His Lordship continued that it seemed to him that the Crown had nothing to defend, and asked whether counsel for the appellant could resist the application by the Crown for the case to be struck off.

Mr. Hing Shing Lo: I must admit that I am taken aback. I can only suggest that I might appeal to you on the ground—

His Lordship: I can't hear you on the merits.

Mr. Lo: A technical or clerical mistake was made. If you have no objection I will ask for an adjournment to consider how best I might resist the application made by the Crown. If you allow the application an obvious miscarriage will occur.

His Lordship pointed out that the respondent was entitled to motion of appeal within fourteen days. Mr. Lo said he might say Mr. Hall had done his best to get the Crown interested and that at last the Crown had come into the case with reluctance.

His Lordship: Was a stated case given on June 30th?

Mr. Lo: Yes, but amended since.

His Lordship: Therefore there was no stated case on June 30th.

After Mr. Fitzroy had stated cases instancing that the Court had no power to amend the notice of motion, His Lordship gave judgment as follows:—

"My Brother and I are agreed as to the proper course to be followed on this motion. This appeal is by two persons convicted before the Police Magistrate in certain proceedings. It is provided in the Magistracy Ordinance that an appellant shall within fourteen days after the delivery of the stated case to him transmit the case to the Registrar first giving notice in writing of the appeal and sending with it a copy of the case to the other party (the respondents)."

"In this matter, the appellants have not complied with that section. They did not within the period named send a copy of the stated case either to the respondent or to his solicitors. Notice of motion was prepared on behalf of the appellants and was served on the respondents' solicitors the time specified but that notice of motion, however, was wrong in form in that it was addressed to the Crown who were named as respondents. The solicitors on whom it was served were therefore entitled to disregard it. The Crown have been improperly brought before the Court on this motion and in the absence of proper preliminary proceedings this Court has no jurisdiction to consider the merits of the appeal as raised."

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P. TOD,
Joint Hon. Secretary.

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W. B. FINNIGAN,
Registrar.
31st August, 1927. [5276]

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M. F. KEY,
Secretary.
General Chamber of Commerce,
25th August, 1927. [5260]

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W. F. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary.

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

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Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
A. H. ABAS,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Aug., 1927. [5263]

HONG KONG CLUB.

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A SPLENDID RECORD.

The review of Hong Kong's progress during the past thirty years, given by H.E. THE GOVERNOR at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, should help to change the point of view of those pessimists who have been continually lamenting that "the good old days have gone never to return." Hong Kong's record is marvellous and one which we imagine could not be equalled by any other Crown Colony. Nor are there any signs that its prosperity is likely to diminish in the future. Troubles in China may temporarily affect its commercial activities, but never its financial stability, and when the troubles pass, as sooner or later pass they must, this little "outpost of Empire" emerges stronger than ever and continues

INTIMATIONS.

Verses for the Week.

"The man's emphatically mad.
Who drinks the best, yet can be said."
(RABELAIS).

"Let other poets raise a fracas,
'Bout vines and wines, an' drunken Bacchus,
An' crabbin' names and stories wrack us
An' grate our jug,
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As with new wine intoxicated both,
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its development at a faster rate than before as if to make up for lost time. It must be remembered that Hong Kong has no liabilities worth speaking about. In spite of the rapidity with which it has grown it has paid for all its needs out of a steadily expanding revenue. Now it is proposed to raise a loan of five million dollars for additional public works, but such a sum is a mere bagatelle for a Colony in Hong Kong's position. As HIS EXCELLENCY said, "the burden of the interest and sinking fund... will not weigh heavily on the community." The loan has been decided upon because the works projected will be for the benefit of future generations and it is only fair that those who reap the advantage should bear some part of the cost. With its fine system of roads and splendid public buildings, paid for by the annual amounts received from rates and taxes Hong Kong has provided a sufficiently fine heritage for those who will follow us. In order that the incidence of taxation may be justly apportioned all development schemes of importance should from now forward be financed by means of loans. It comes to-day almost as a shock to realise that in 1897 the total revenue of the Colony was less than three millions dollars.

Money and jewellery worth \$138 were stolen from the first floor of No. 138, Leichikok Road, on Wednesday night.

The French Convent School, Causeway Bay, re-opens on Monday next. The evening class for shorthand will start on Thursday at 5.30 p.m.

Mr. Alexander Ramsay, formerly of the Hong Kong Daily Press and latterly of Peking and Mukden, left for home yesterday afternoon by the a.s. Gotha.

A workman employed at the Kowloon Dock was removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from crushed hand as the result of it being caught in the cog wheels of a milling-machinery at the dockyard.

Josef Borissoff, the noted violinist, who has had a very successful time in Manila, will be in the Colony again during the next fortnight and hopes to give one or two concerts. Booking will open shortly at Andersons.

The Oriental Strolling Players, who are to appear at the Lee Theatre, will open their season on Tuesday, September 13th. This company have been specially engaged for the re-opening of this large and up-to-date theatre.

A one-storey house at Hok Lo Chung, Kowloon City, collapsed at 5.10 yesterday morning and a Chinese woman was buried beneath the fallen masonry. She was extricated alive, and was removed to hospital with injuries to her head and arms.

A meeting of the Management Committee of the Hong Kong Football League is to be held at Voluntary Headquarters next Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m., when League arrangements for the coming season will be made. Club secretaries are invited to be present.

Running from the Praya East Reclamation on the main street, a young Chinese boy was knocked down by car No. 200 belonging to the Tai-ko Sugar Refinery. Mr. W. R. Greenhalgh, who was in the car at the time of the accident, had the child removed to the Government Civil Hospital for attention.

THE MURDER OF MRS. MACKAY.

SHOES OFF AND BLOOD STAINS ON BODY.

A MISSING DIAMOND RING.

The case against the two Chinese charged with robbing and murdering Mrs. Rose Mackay at Chai Wan Road on August 8th, was resumed yesterday at the Central Magistrate's Court before Mr. R. E. Landsell.

The two defendants who are not legally represented took their places in the dock quite stoically. The prosecution is being conducted by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor.

A friend of the Mackays, Mr. David Heaton Davidson, said that he remembered being shown two forged one dollar bank-notes by the deceased lady sometime during the Chinese New Year last year. He lodged and boarded with the Mackays and it was on July 20th, he gave the deceased \$88 in \$10, \$5 and \$1 notes. He thought the deceased put the money in her bag, but he could not say for certain.

On August 8th, Mrs. Mackay left the house to do some shopping at the Wing On Co., and returned home at about 5 p.m. Witness had on two or three occasions accompanied Mrs. Mackay to Wing On Co., and could say that she was a customer of that store. On August 8th, at about 8 p.m., he was at home with Mr. Mackay and others when Walter Eckert, the young nephew of the Mackays, came home and made a report. He at once accompanied Walter back to the scene of the murder and there he found Mrs. Mackay about 112 yards away from the end of the Chai Wan Road. She was in a sitting position and was propped up against a rock. Mrs. Mackay was already dead and the body was almost cold.

When he arrived there he noticed that Mrs. Mackay had one shoe off and there were blood stains on her breast and abdomen. He waited there until the Police arrived. Mr. Mackay and Mr. Ware arrived about the same time with the Police.

Mr. Alfred Richard Osborne said he was a timekeeper at Tai-ko Docks and lived next door to the Mackays. About 8 p.m., on August 8, Miss Mackay came to his house and told him something as the result of which the witness went to the Shaukiwan Police Station and made a report there.

Mr. Mackay's Story.

The next witness was the unfortunate woman's husband, Mr. Charles Mackay. He said that his wife left the house on the afternoon of August 8th but he did not know where she went to. He corroborated Mr. Davidson's statement about the report made by Walter Eckert. Answering Mr. Whyte-Smith, the witness said he could not tell how much money Mrs. Mackay took with her on leaving the house, but he could speak about the jewellery she wore. Usually, Mrs. Mackay wore three rings, a diamond engagement ring and a wedding ring on the left hand, and a ring which she had got in England, on the right hand. The engagement ring was a little loose.

Mr. Whyte-Smith told the Magistrate that when the body was found, the two gold rings were on the deceased lady's fingers, but the diamond ring was missing.

Answering Counsel, Mr. Mackay said that since the death of Mrs. Mackay he had been unable to find the diamond ring in the house, although he had looked in all her drawers and trunks. Two photos produced by Mr. Whyte-Smith the witness identified as those of his wife.

Replying to further questions, the witness said that Mrs. Mackay often visited the Barkers at Chai Wan Bay—about once or twice a week. In the forenoon of August 7th the witness went to the public mortuary and there identified the body of his wife in the presence of the medical officer and a police inspector.

Only Found \$50.

On August 1st, said witness, he received his salary, and placed \$225 housekeeping money in Mrs. Mackay's drawer. This was just before 5 p.m. Later he told her he had done so. The money was made up of one \$100, one \$50 and the rest \$10 and \$5 notes. Since the murder the witness had found only one \$50 bill in another drawer.

By Mr. Whyte-Smith: On August 6th there were three workmen in the house. One was working on the verandah while two others were outside repairing the drain pipe.

The Forged Notes.

At the afternoon hearing, Mr. J. H. Ware, a close friend of the deceased's family, gave evidence to show that on the day of the murder, Mrs. Mackay had notes in her bag of \$10, \$5 and \$1 denomination. Witness said that he had known the deceased since 1907, when Mr. Mackay was in charge of the A.P.C. installation at Tungku, Tientsin. The deceased had a son, Douglas Mackay, at Aberdeen, Scotland. For the past three years, witness was in the habit of buying bank drafts for the deceased to remit to her son. On August 6th, he bought a draft from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for £5. He took

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CARE OF THE INSANE.

ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDS.

THE NEW ORDINANCE.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon the Attorney-General moved the first reading of "An Ordinance to amend the Asylums Ordinance, 1904."

He said: The main object of this Bill is to surround with greater safeguards the procedure under which persons suspected of being of an unsound mind are sent to asylums for purposes of observation. The intended safeguards are of two kinds. In the first place it is provided that no Order for sending a suspected case of lunacy to an Asylum for observation shall be made until there has been an attempt to communicate with some relative of the patient. In the second place it is provided that an application for the Order under this new Ordinance must be made on a definite statutory form. That will have the effect of producing undoubtedly clearness and accuracy in the application and also in the Order. When persons have to fill up a statutory form, containing definite headings and calling for definite facts, there is much less danger of the Order being made on vague and insufficient grounds. The opportunity is taken to make some other minor improvements in the Ordinance, but that is the main intention of the present Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Draft programmes and entry forms for the 6th extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, to be held on Saturday and Monday, October 28th and 29th, are ready, and can be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries close at noon on Saturday, September 24th.

The engagement is announced between Mr. Arthur Dyer Ball, who recently left Hong Kong on transfer to the post of Legal Draftman to the Attorney General, and Miss Dorothy Redfern Robinson, fourth daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. Redfern Robinson. Miss Robinson is a sister of Mrs. Raworth and is well known in the Colony which she has visited on several occasions.

In attempting to disperse a crowd of Chinese who had gathered in Wusung Street on Wednesday evening, to see a travelling theatrical performance, an Indian constable was stoned by some of the bystanders. One of these was arrested and appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday morning. The defendant denied the charge, but was convicted and fined \$5.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.10 p.m., stated:—

Pressure remains highest over the Philippines. Depressions are indicated over Tongking and the Gulf of Pechihli.

LOCAL FORECAST:—South winds; moderate; fair to showery.

the draft to deceased's house on the same evening, but Mrs. Mackay was out. He handed the draft to Mr. Mackay and also counted out the change to him. He gave him \$38.50 in three \$10 notes, one \$5 and three \$1 notes. He also returned two twenty cent pieces and one ten cent piece. Mr. Mackay took the money and looked it in the drawer, but sometime later, Mrs. Mackay came back and her husband took the money out of the drawer and handed it to the deceased. She put the money in her bag. About 15 months ago, deceased had also shown witness two one dollar notes which were forged.

Mr. David Wilson, an officer of the Mercantile Marine, said that he had known the deceased lady for the last two years. Sometime in July last year, he had given two \$1 forged notes to Mrs. Mackay in payment for some music sheets. This was done as a joke and he immediately told her about it. She asked to be allowed to retain the notes, to which witness agreed.

The defendants were then asked if they wished to cross-examine the witness. The first defendant said in reference to the forged note, he picked up the "half" while on his way to Chai Wan Road.

Acting Inspector Murphy of the Shaukiwan Police Station also gave evidence. He said as a result of information received from Mr. Osborne, he went to Chai Wan Road. There he found Mrs. Mackay lying dead, about 400 yards away from the junction of Chai Wan and the motor road. Witness also noticed that the deceased had a wound in the abdomen and in the left breast. Mrs. Mackay had two rings on. One was a wedding ring and the other a signet ring. The case was again adjourned.

KUOMINTANG REPORT STATES NORTHERNERS HAVE EVACUATED PUKOW.

SOUTHERNERS ANNOUNCE CAPTURE OF MANY PRISONERS ON SOUTH BANK OF YANGTZE.

REPORT CIRCULATED THAT NORTHERNERS WILL ATTEMPT TO RE-CAPTURE SHANGHAI.

PEKING CABINET MINISTER REGARDS JAPANESE SHANTUNG EVACUATION AS "INSINCERE."

Southern troops, according to a Kuomintang report, occupied Pukow upon its being evacuated by the Northern troops. This, however, has not been confirmed from any other source, but, nevertheless, it may be authentic as another report states that the Northerners are now bent upon capturing Shanghai.

The Southerners claim to have captured a large number of the enemy in their attempt to effect a landing on the Yangtze's south bank.

Though the Japanese Government have announced that they are about to withdraw their troops from Shantung and, in doing so, have very sensibly stated that the troops will be sent back should the necessity arise, there is at least one Chinese official dissatisfied with this announcement. He is Mr. Wang Yin Tai, the Foreign Minister at Peking, who roundly charges the Japanese, with "insincerity" and calls upon his Peking colleagues to discuss the matter.

THE NORTHERNERS' ATTACKS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. General Pei Chung Hsi reported to the Nanking Government on August 31st that from the 25th to the 30th ult. Sun Chuan Fa's troops frequently ventured across the Yangtze from many points of the northern bank. The Southerners, however, pushed them back and took fully 4,000 captives, among whom were a number of officers. Since the 31st ult. there had been no trace of the enemy on the southern bank.

THE JAPANESE TROOPS IN SHANTUNG.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. In view of the fact that Mr. Yoshisawa's communication to the Waichiao, expressing the Japanese Government's decision to withdraw the Japanese troops from Shantung, mentioned, *inter alia*, that if the situation warranted the Japanese troops would be despatched to the spot again, Mr. Wang Yin Tai, the Peking Foreign Minister, declares that the Japanese Government is not sincere in its wish to withdraw its troops from China. He therefore suggested that the matter be discussed by the Peking Cabinet.

MASSING OF TROOPS ON YANGTZE BANKS.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

CHINKIANG, August 31st. Small numbers of Southern troops have left the city.

The Northerners are now reported to have 30,000 troops at the mouth of the Grand Canal, ready to cross to the south bank.

Heavy fighting has taken place at Lungtan. The Southerners have mounted field guns at Paochingan, and also on the city wall. Reinforcements have been sent to Lungtan by rail.

YANGTZE CROSSED.

NORTHERNERS CUT RAILWAY.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

NANKING, August 31st. The Northerners have apparently crossed the river and hold the south bank from Wulungshan to Morrison Point. They have cut the railway.

THE FENGTIENESE AND SHANSI'S GOVERNOR.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Sept. 1st. The Ankuochun leaders have not yet decided on a definite policy towards General Yen Shih Shan. They are mostly inclined to conciliate with him or effect a coalition in order that the Fengtienese may devote their energy to attacking Feng Yu Hsiang without Shansi disturbing their rear.

According to a Kuomintang official report, Sun Chuan Fa's troops have evacuated Pukow, which the Southerners have now occupied.

According to a foreign report, a large number of Hankow-Nanking allied troops are concentrating at Wuhu. They will co-operate with General Ho Chiung's troops in launching an attack on Fengpu.

HANKOW ACTIVITY.

TROOPS ON THE MOVE.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

HANKOW, August 31st. Troop movements down the river continue.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

Wuhu's Dual Demonstration. Wuhu, August 31st. General Hsia Tau Yin organised an anti-Communist and anti-Northern demonstration yesterday.

A battery of small guns is reported to have been established on Wuhu rock beacon.

Dangers of Woonung and the Yangtze.

SHANGHAI, August 31st. Pei Chung Hsi has requested all vessels to avoid the vicinity of Kiang Yin and Woonung, due to the danger of coming fire. The shipping companies have been warned that this might occur. A further warning has also been issued to vessels on the Yangtze, where there is a threat that martial law will be declared.

No progress is reported in the fighting at Lungtan. Northern forces are being reinforced.

H.M.S. "COCKCHAFFER" RETURNS FIRE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSY, August 31st. A convoy bound down the Yangtze River having been heavily fired upon by the Chinese from Morrison Point, the British gunboat *Cock-chaffer* returned the fire. She was hit by one shell, which, however, caused only superficial damage. One seaman was slightly wounded.

COMMUNAL RIOTING IN INDIA.

13 KILLED; 96 INJURED.

POLICE TACKLE SERIOUS SITUATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BAREILLY, Sept. 1st. Thirteen persons were killed and 96 injured in a communal riot during the Kriahadilla Hindu Festival, when the procession passed a Mahomedan mosque with bands playing. The situation became so serious that the police fired 16 rounds at the rioters and strong reinforcements had to be sent before order was restored.

THE ARMY IN INDIA.

QUESTION OF ITS INDIANISATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SIMLA, Sept. 1st. The Council of State, after three hours' debate, rejected the resolution of Sir Phiroze Sethna, a member of the Committee on the Indianisation of the Army of India, headed by Sir Andrew Skeen, urging prompt action on the report of the Committee.

MR. CHURCHILL AT UPAGON.

INSPECTS BRITAIN'S NEW MECHANICAL FORCE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSY, August 31st. Mr. Winston Churchill arrived by air at Upavon last evening to witness the army manoeuvres on Salisbury Plain. He took the opportunity to inspect the *Saint Raphael* aeroplane which is to-day attempting to fly to Canada. This morning Mr. Churchill inspected the new mechanical force of the British army which was drawn up in long lines and presented a striking appearance. It included tanks, large and small, armoured cars, self-propelled guns, dragon tractors with gun wagons, half track lorries and six-wheelers used for transport of troops. Immediately after the inspection the troops entered on the concluding stage of their fortnight's strenuous training, which gave Mr. Churchill an opportunity to see the whole of mechanised brigade in action.

BRITISH FISH SUPPLIES.

TOTAL ANNUAL VALUE £30,000,000.

FOREIGN COMPETITORS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSY, August 31st. The competition of foreign trawlers with British fishermen is the subject of a report by the Economic Committee on fish. The report gives an analysis of British fish supplies which shows that their total value in 1925 was thirty millions sterling. Of this sum nineteen and a quarter millions represented British catches and three millions came from the Empire, leaving seven and three quarters millions as the value of foreign supplies. The latter came chiefly from Germany, Denmark, Sweden and Ireland.

AMERICA AND LOANS TO FRANCE.

PROBABLE NEW U.S. POLICY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, August 31st. It is anticipated in authoritative circles in Washington that when Mr. Mellon, Financial Secretary, returns from Europe, the question will be raised of floating a loan in the United States for the purpose of retiring or converting the \$750,000,000 of French 8 per cent bonds held in the United States. It is believed that the American policy of opposition to French loans until a war debt agreement has been reached, will be relaxed in order to allow France to effect a great saving of interest. The refunding proposal has engendered the bond market, the French Government 7½ per cent bonds reaching 115, the highest at which they have ever been sold.

CATASTROPHE IN POLAND.

DISASTROUS EFFECT OF CLOUDBURST.

LOSS OF LIFE AND DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARSAW, Sept. 1st. A cloudburst and heavy rainfall resulted in the Danester and other rivers near Lemberg overflowing and doing tremendous damage. Hitherto, twenty fatalities are reported, while many houses and bridges have been destroyed and crops swept away.

The town of Strij has been inundated and the oilfields near Drohobycz and Boryslaw have been isolated, rendering the workmen idle. Engineers, troops and members of the Red Cross have proceeded to the scene of the catastrophe.

THE "GOLDEN BOOK OF FRANCE."

FORMALLY PRESENTED TO SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, August 31st. The so-called "Golden Book of France," which is a voluminous synthesis of France, past and present, and is destined for the British Museum, has been formally presented to Sir Austen Chamberlain while he was en route to Geneva, at a ceremonious function. French officials, military leaders, and Ministers, among the eminent persons present, glowingly tributed the Entente Cordiale, and Sir Austen Chamberlain, responding, declared British affection for France, and the conviction of the necessity for a Franco-British union for the maintenance of world peace.

LATER. Sir Austen Chamberlain has left for Geneva, to attend the meeting of the League of Nations' Council.

HONOUR FOR "KIAWO'S" CAPTAIN.

DECORATION GIVEN ON AUGUST 30th.

The following has appeared in Home papers:

"Awards for Service in China. The Yangtze River. The King has given orders for the following appointment of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire: in recognition of service at Wansheng, Yangtze River, China, on September 5th, 1926, connected with the following events:-

"Captain Albert Robert Williamson, D.S.O., Mercantile Marine R.M.S. *Kiawo*. Handled his ship most ably when taking her from alongside the a.s. *Wansheng* to a.s. *Wantung* under heavy fire to rescue the latter's captain.

"Capt. Williamson was to be invested with the O.B.E. by H. M. Consul-General at his residence at noon on August 30th."

Albert Robert Williamson was born at Bedford, in 1891, and is Master Mariner now employed as Assistant Marine Superintendent under Commander Rolfe at Jardine's.

He holds the following medals: 1914/15 Star, General Service Medal, Allied Victory Medal, Distinguished Service Cross.

At the outbreak of the war he offered service and was granted temporary commission of Lieut. R.N.R. In 1918 he was awarded distinguished service cross for service when in command of a special service flotilla of anti-submarine drifters in the English Channel. He was invested with the D.S.C. by the King at Buckingham Palace in May, 1919.

Following two prosecutions for keeping No. 22, Portland Street, as an illegal house, the Police summoned the landlord, Li Hin Man, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Bowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, on a charge of allowing his premises to be used for immoral purposes. A fine of \$25 was imposed.

MEMORIAL TO CHARLES DARWIN.

HIS KENTISH HOME FOR THE NATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 31st. Sir Arthur Keith, replying to a vote of thanks after his presidential address to the British Association, announced that the Council of the Association intended to arrange for the purchase of Charles Darwin's house and its surroundings, at Bromley, Kent, for the nation, as a memorial to Darwin.

VISCOUNT HALDANE'S 71ST BIRTHDAY.

MOST FAMOUS OF MODERN WAR MINISTERS.

A GERMAN COMPLIMENT.

LONDON, July 31st. Viscount Haldane, K.T., O.M., celebrated his seventy-first birthday yesterday, and, like the Earl of Balfour, still remains a bachelor. He is the most famous, as he was the most successful, of our War Ministers in recent times; and the circumstances in which he found his way to that difficult and responsible office are worth recalling.

It was when Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman was forming his Ministry. He sent for Lord Haldane and asked him to make his choice between two or three offices which he named. "Well, I don't know," Lord Haldane replied. "There's another office which I should prefer to try. I don't pretend to know much about it; but I'm rather fascinated by the problem which it presents."

"What office is that?" Sir Henry asked. "The War Office. Have you filed that post yet?" "Filed it? I can't find anyone willing to touch it with the end of a large pole."

A Grave of Reputations. So it was offered to Viscount Haldane, and accepted by him. It was an office which had recently proved a grave of reputations. Lord Maitland had failed in it. But Lord Haldane did succeed. Britain owes it to him that the Territorials became a really efficient force, that Officers' Training Corps sprang up everywhere, ready to prepare officers quickly when the need for them arose, and that the Germans found the Old Comptentibles waiting for them at Mons.

An excellent record. Whatever some civilian thought, most of the soldiers considered it absurd that the country should dispense with Lord Haldane's services because of his unfortunate phrase about his spiritual home.

An Efficient Enemy. The Germans, at any rate, realised that he was a very efficient enemy; and Lord Haldane may like to hear a compliment which a German paid, in the midst of the War, to the force which he had organised.

It was in the Ruhleben prison camp. A football match had taken place. It had been very hotly contested. One of the spectators was the censor of the camp correspondence—Major Baron von Mutschebecher. He was a chivalrous enemy—a sportsman—and when the match was over, he turned to one of the prisoners and said:

"I congratulate you. When I see how you fellows play football, I quite understand our failure to beat the 'comptentible little army.'"

AUSTRALIA'S NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER.

Major-General Sir Granville de Laune Byrie, the new High Commissioner of Australia, is about as complete a contrast as could be imagined to his predecessor, Sir Joseph Cook.

He is a politician in a way, but not at all in the ordinary way. He represents the Australia of the wide spaces and the snow-capped hills. Soldiering, too, is in his blood—an ancestor was in Wellington's army—and he himself was ready when the Boer War came for a position of command. His part in the Great War, of course, is a matter of history.

Sir Granville's face in repose suggests the man of relentless purpose, but he has an underlying geniality which can make itself felt alike in small companies and big, and a sense of humour which cannot fail to make him a much valued dinner companion. His famous story concerns an Australian to whom the general was relating his war experiences. "Gorblimey, was you at Bethlehem?" said the bushman. "Yes!" "Gee, I thought Bethlehem was in Heaven!"

TWO TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHTS IN PROGRESS.

ONE GOING TO, THE OTHER COMING FROM, CANADA.

RUSSIAN FLIER REACHES TOKYO FROM MOSCOW.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE ENGLISH VENTURE.

THE FLIGHT FROM ENGLAND.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUONX, August 31st. The two British airmen Colonel Minchin and Captain Leslie Hamilton, accompanied by Princess Loewenstein Wertheim, left Upavon in Wiltshire at 7.30 this morning in the Fokker monoplane *Saint Raphael* on an attempt to fly across the Atlantic to Ottawa. At ten minutes past twelve this afternoon they passed over Inversin, County Galway, on the west coast of Ireland, flying at a height of nine hundred feet. The weather off the Irish coast was foggy at the time. The east to west flight across the Atlantic has not yet been accomplished and weather conditions obviously render it more difficult and hazardous than going from west to east.

THE PRINCESS AN ENGLISHWOMAN.

Princess Loewenstein Wertheim is the first woman to fly the Atlantic. She is an English woman by birth being the daughter of the fourth Earl of Melbourne, her maiden name being Lady Anne Savile. She married in 1897 the German Prince Loewenstein Wertheim who was killed two years later fighting for the Spaniards against the Americans in the Philippines. In 1918 she became a British subject again. The Princess is an intrepid airwoman. She learned to fly before the war and has had many adventures in the air. In 1923 she entered a machine in the race for the King's Cup and herself accompanied the pilot in a circular air tour of Britain.

Captain Leslie Hamilton is known as the "sky taximan" and the "aerial gipsy." He has had many thrilling experiences. He returned to England last April after having flown 17,000 miles in three months in various parts of Europe. During his career he has flown over 3,000 hours and covered 250,000 miles.

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THE EARTH'S INNER FIRES.

POWER FROM STEAM WELLS.

CALIFORNIA'S GEYSER VALLEY.

The possibility of utilizing the earth's hidden fires as a source of power is considered by Mr. U. V. Wilcox in the "Scientific American." California, he declares, has a vast unused source of power on tap in the geysers of Alexander Valley, situated in Sonoma County. This region has long been appreciated for its hot mud baths, and the natural beauties of its geysers, and now Dr. Arthur L. Borings, Director of the Geophysical Laboratory at the Carnegie Institution of Washington, and Dr. E. T. Allen, Chemist of the Laboratory, have completed tests that show tremendous possibilities.

Borings have been made, and two steam wells, sunk to a depth of about 370ft., are supplying power for the boring of other wells, yielding a constant steam pressure of thirty pounds to the square inch. Borings in other parts of the valley were subsequently begun, to determine to what extent the entire region might be depended upon for the development of power.

In the tests it was found that there were no great problems standing in the way of the use of this natural steam for power purposes. From a test of the chemical properties of the steam, this was particularly favourable for industrial uses. The result of tests by an engineer of one of the large electric corporations of America showed that the total power of the two wells would reach at least 1,500 kilowatts an hour, and possibly more.

Steam Wells Equal to Niagara.

Large dynamos develop little more than 4,000 kilowatts an hour in the great power stations, consequently there are tremendous opportunities here for a whole series of steam wells developing power equal to a Niagara. The entire Alexander Valley section, known as the Geysers, can be pitted with steam wells, making the comparison something more than a mere rhetorical expression.

It is evident that this region was at one time a roaring, flaming volcanic region. And not so very long ago either, for to-day it is possible in some regions to reach a temperature of 400deg. only 5ft. below surface.

Simple Machinery.

Scientists say that these great steam reservoirs are made by a subterranean body of water crossing the ancient volcanic fires where below the surface of the ground, and that as long as this water continues to flow there is no danger of a cessation of steam pressure. In boring the wells into this region, the usual oil-well equipment is used, that is, a churn drill and casing from top to bottom. At the desired depth the drill is removed, and an ordinary valve guards the outlet, so that the engineer can call upon the volcano to send him the steam when he needs it.

THE "SIR JOHN CARLING" OFF AGAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Ontario, Sept. 1st. The aeroplane *Sir John Carling* started for London at 5.34 o'clock this morning.

SOVIET AVIATORS REACHES TOKYO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Sept. 1st. The Soviet aviator, Shestakoff, who "bopped off" from Moscow on the 20th ultimo, arrived at Tachikawa on the outskirts of Tokyo shortly after noon to-day.

THE "PRIDE OF DETROIT."

DETAINED BY THE TURKS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, August 31st. The aeroplane *Pride of Detroit*, on which the Americans Brock and Schlee are flying round the world, has arrived here from Belgrade.

The airmen are losing a day on schedule, owing to the authorities forbidding an immediate resumption of the flight, pending the completion of formalities. They hope to resume their journey to-morrow.

Religious Service.

Before the departure from Upavon the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Cardiff assisted by several priests, standing under the golden wings of the aeroplane, conducted a short religious service. The Princess is a Roman Catholic. Afterwards the Archbishop gave his blessing to the hazardous journey and sprinkled the aeroplane with holy water. The Princess just before taking her seat knelt before the Archbishop, kissed his episcopal ring and received final benediction.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Over Ireland.

LONDON, August 31st. Hundreds of spectators at Galway Bay cheered Colonel Minchin's departure from Europe on his flight to Canada, with Captain Hamilton and Princess Loewenstein-Wertheim. The machine was seen passing Aran Islands, going towards the Atlantic.

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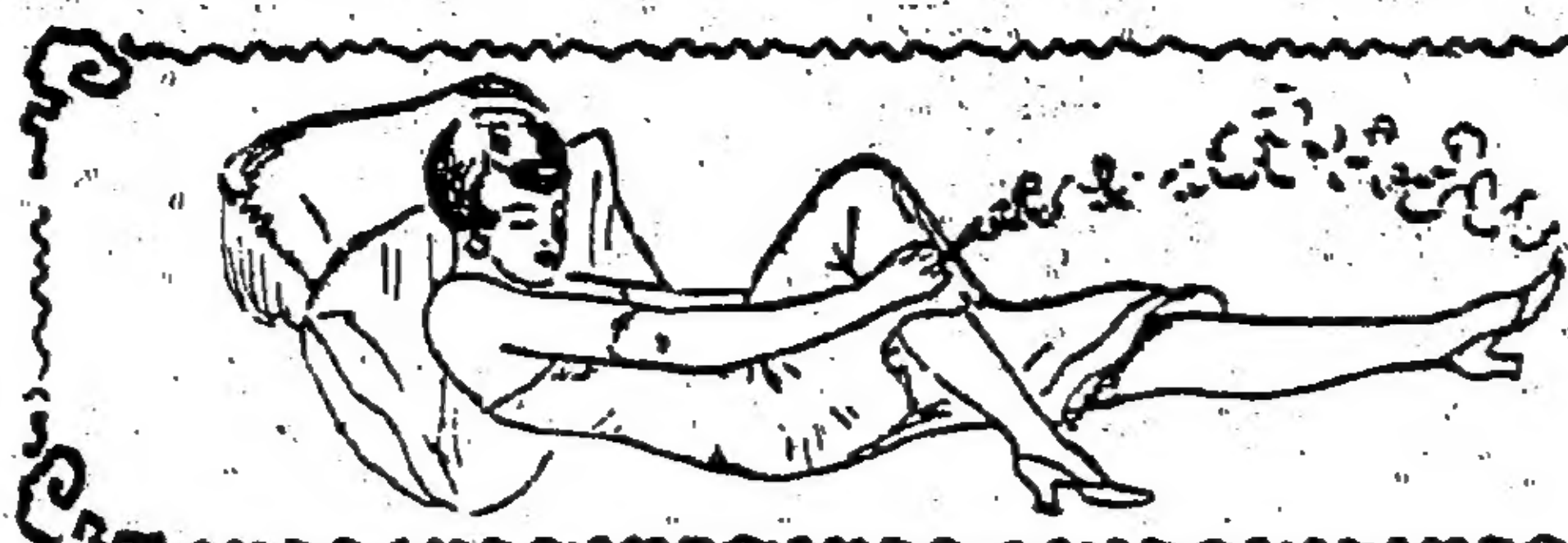
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The WOMAN'S PAGE

LA DONNA E MOBILE.

AUTUMN'S APPROACH.

We women they say are variable and never satisfied. We tire of a dress before we have worn it half a dozen times, and we run after every new eccentricity of fashion. It may be true and certainly new clothes give a pleasure which no thing else can, but I think we are justified in our present desire for warmer clothes. The weather, indeed, still calls for the scanty garments which are the butt of so much humor and criticism, but while we make the best of the present temperature we have to anticipate a lower one.

Of all seasons it is, autumn and spring, those between times, that present the best opportunity to women. There is charm in the richness of fur but a frost bitten nose cowering behind a fur collar looks anything but luxurious and charming. Flower like muslin or chiffon frocks remind one of



A lovely wedding dress in soft satin. The embroidery is executed in pearls and silver, and the dress is so designed that it will make a lovely evening dress when the train is taken off.

Bolticelli angels of summer in English gardens; but what if the dress be damp and crumpled by a heat which would wilt the loveliest of blooms? In the autumn when it is warm you can wear your flower frocks and remain yourself as fresh as they; and when the cool winds blow a fur or a summer coat will serve to enhance both your beauty and theirs.

Either from a determination to make the best of present conditions by preparing for better times, or from frivolity and caprice, we are turning with joy to the signs of cool days in the shop windows. Lane, Crawford's window full of fluffy white coats really gives one an illusion of a fresh breeze blowing across the courts. If you buy one you will be constantly looking at it and counting the days before our holiday from heat. I don't know whether Christian Science denies the existence of extremes of climate, but at all events it puts us on the right track; keep your mind fixed on the cooler days make delicious preparations for them, and you can rise superior to the fainting persons who always greet you with some such remarks as "Isn't it terribly hot?"

If you don't believe me take a look for yourself, go inside and see the jolly sleeveless cardigans in white with gaily embroidered pockets, the stockinette jumper suits and the ever useful knitted ones.

CHOOSING A NEW HAT.

HINTS AND BARGAINS.

There is no question about a woman's eagerness to choose a hat that emphasises her good points and casts a kindly concealing shadow over those about which nature has not been too kind. But in spite of all the care and thought lavished on a matter upon which, after all, the success or failure of a toilette depends, the number of women who walk the world in unbecoming millinery is depressingly great.

The Best Time.

Choose your new hat when you are feeling in good spirits is one excellent piece of advice. Select a fine day another, though this is more easily said than accomplished at this time of the year. The woman who chooses a new hat because she is depressed and feels in need of cheering, is asking for trouble. It is a chance in a thousand that any single model tried will produce in her the comforting feeling that she never looked better in her life. Far more likely is it that, disgruntled and disheartened, she will buy something that she is told suits her and hate it ever after. Hat buying can be one of the most expensive adventures in the dress world.

Something for Everyone.

There is, however, no need to waste sympathy on those who declare that they never can find a becoming hat. Fashion caters for all tastes and features of every description. If some slimy-built woman insists on getting a Mephistophelean cap merely because someone has praised her bright eyes, and overlooks the fact that her nose is inclined to length and sharpness, the blame for the tragedy that results must be laid at her own door.

In the same way the woman with massive features must avoid anything approaching the coquettish or frivolous. For her there are the velvet or felt or straw models equipped with flat or down-turned brim. It may be dull to keep one's face perpetually in the shadows, but if it adds 50 per cent. to one's looks, it is well worth it.

Some of the most attractive hats just now are of dull straw, with a velvet band for trimming. Very light flannel and vicuna models make delightfully comfortable travelling hats, and homespun felt is a new comer for the holiday season.

Hat Sales.

Sales of hats often prove a trap to the unwary buyer, and yet they often offer excellent bargains. It is no good buying a hat unless you know what you intend to wear with it; but at the same time a woman who dresses consistently, and has a style of her own, can confidently buy in advance.

Pamela's sale is offering some wonderful hats at prices from \$5. I say wonderful not because of the price or even the style, but because they are adaptable to almost any expression of the present mode. Take for example a light felt in the Barcelona shape; it is a clear beige bordered with chestnut brown, the shape simple and capable of a good deal of adjustment. Not too dark or too definitely felt to be worn with light frocks this hat would not be amiss with a fur trimmed coat, and would be admirable with a jumper suit of stockinette in almost any of the fashionable tan or beige shades. Then there are a number of smart little pull-on shapes in fine felt of various colours, chic helmets for motoring, and a few straws.

REPTILE LEATHER.

Last week I mentioned some of new shoes to be found in Lane, Crawford's and I have now found some equally pretty pairs in Powell's. Of these perhaps the most interesting are the lizard and snake skin shoes of English make which are delightfully flexible. There is a low heeled shoe in pale grey snake skin for \$35 and brown lizard with a high heel is the same price. These genuine reptile skins are, as every one knows, always desirable on the score of economy as they will outlast three pairs of kid or calf skin, and they are particularly smart. Being cut on a simple last they will not date unless, as is unlikely, the strap shoe goes out of fashion.



Ohie simplicity in black and white georgette.

Pearl patent is a new leather in an iridescent greyish beige which promises to be quite the smartest colour for the winter season. I saw one beautifully shaped shoe made in this leather. It is almost a court shoe and has a crossed strap low on the instep. This has no opening but on the centre bar the leather is rucked over elastic which gives a comfortable fitting, and looks smart.

I was pleased to find black satin shoes with low heels. There are many of us here who find high heels trying on the steep paths of the Peak district and are yet unwilling to forego dainty shoes. Black satin shoes are being largely worn in Paris just now as they suit the fastidious taste of the French woman who dislikes dressy footwear in the street and yet needs a shoe suitable for a thé d'antant.

The evening shoes are to arrive to-day with the exception of a few sample pairs which I was able to see earlier in the week. Of these one covered in beige-brocaded silk was very attractive, exceedingly dainty and yet not in any way over smart. A silver tissue shoe and one of black satin embroidered on toe and heel with a light design of rhinestones were also pretty.

BY THE WAY.

London's Giff is a delightful new silk at \$2.90 a yard which has just been received by Pohoomull's. It is not unlike the famous "Celest" silk as it is thick and strong and will stand constant washing without losing its sheen or colour. There are a number of attractive colours, among them several different beige and bois de rose shades which would make up well for the jumper suits which will be so much worn this autumn. I should advise "London Giff" for children's dresses and suits as the blues and pinks are particularly soft and pretty shades. A consignment of Kashmir silks was being unpacked while I was in the shop and very fascinating they

were. I always find a visit to Pohoomull's interesting and worth while, as they have such a large and varied stock of silks, and their prices are certainly as low as anywhere in the Colony.

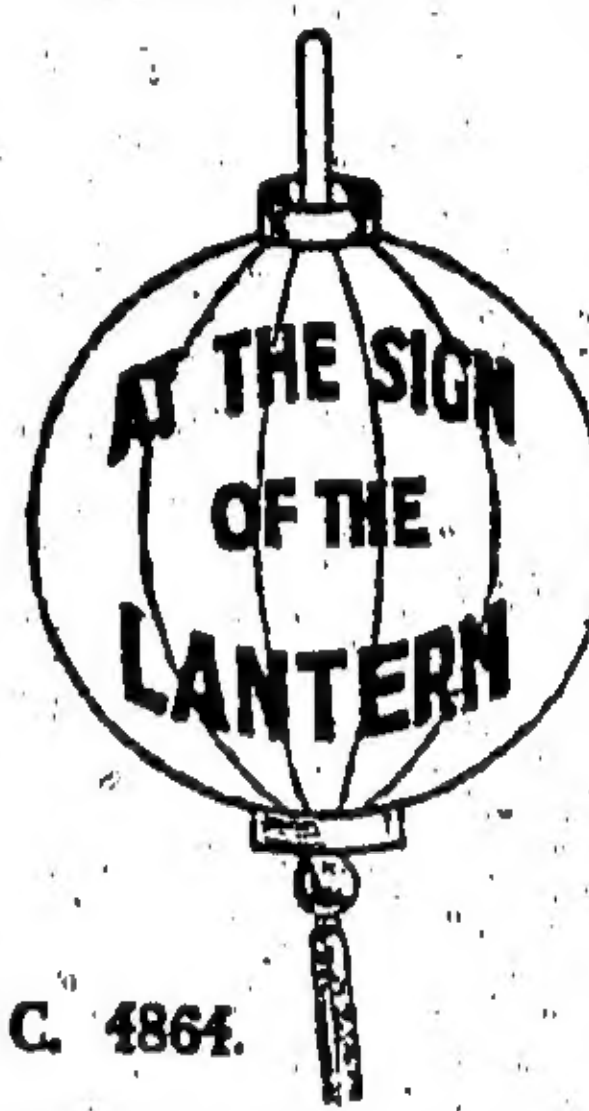
Evening Flowers.—Among the new stock received by Whiteaway, Laidlaw's to replace the goods sold during their sale, I was allowed to see some lovely evening flowers, in silk, organdie, and silver and gold tissue. They cost about six dollars each and are very charming.

Prize Cases which you can find at the Pioneer Silk Store has a close woven stripe in the same colour as the material, and is designed for jumper suits or sports clothes, I believe. There is a large range of colours which should make it a popular material.

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"CUTTING THE COAT ACCORDING TO THE CLOTH."

ECONOMY WITH DUE REGARD FOR EFFICIENCY.

SLIGHT INCREASE IN SCHOOL FEES AND IN CHARGES FOR STEAMSHIP SURVEYS.

OTHERWISE NO CHANGE IN EXISTING SOURCES OF REVENUE.

It cannot be truthfully said that the atmosphere of the Legislative Council was charged with excitement, suppressed or otherwise, when the Colonial Secretary rose yesterday afternoon to introduce the Colony's Budget for 1928. From the public point of view the Budget was a humdrum affair. There is comparatively little change in the figures of last year. With two small exceptions—school fees and the charges made for ship surveys—there has been no alteration in already existing sources of revenue. On the expenditure side economy has been the watchword and the accounts of all departments have been carefully scrutinized with the object of saving money wherever possible.

THIS YEAR.

The year 1927 started with a surplus balance of \$3,450,290 of which \$1,400,000 were regarded as liquid assets. The estimates allowed for a deficit of \$1,307,303 to be met from the surplus balance. Now it is thought the year's working will show a deficit of \$1,302,257.

Certain assets have become liquid during the year and there is a sum of \$1,016,408 expended from revenue on the Shing Mun Water Scheme to be reimbursed from the proposed loan of \$5,000,000.

It is expected, therefore, that the year 1928 will start with a surplus of assets over liabilities of \$4,100,439 of which the liquid balances will amount to \$2,416,408.

NEXT YEAR.

The revenue during 1928 is estimated at \$20,103,390 and the expenditure at \$21,405,642, leaving a deficit of \$1,302,252. This deficit will, of course, practically wipe out the liquid balances available and consequently the Government issue a note of warning that they will not for the present be able to entertain appeals for financial help from private or semi-public bodies.

The figures for the past years are as follows:—

	Revenue	Expenditure	Surplus of Assets
1923	\$24,783,722	\$21,571,904	\$12,658,642
1924	\$24,529,639	\$23,726,428	\$15,971,496
1925	\$23,544,363	\$23,266,517	\$13,107,549
1926	\$21,131,561	\$21,524,715	\$ 8,113,482
1927 (Rev.)	\$21,007,397	\$22,314,702	\$ 4,100,439
1928 (Estimate)	\$20,103,390	\$21,405,642	\$ 2,020,784

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S SPEECH.

The Colonial Secretary said:

Your Excellency—In accordance with your instructions I rise to move the first reading of a Bill intituled "an Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding seventeen million four hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the Public Service of the year 1928." I would once again remind Honourable Members that the total estimated expenditure as shown in the printed estimates exceeds the total shown in the Bill by the amount of Military Contribution and Public Debt Charges.

The last two years have been difficult years for the Colony, but as Your Excellency has just pointed out in the historical retrospect, which must have been of great interest to Honourable Members this is not the first time that it has experienced, not a set back, but a halt in its progress. I share Your Excellency's confidence and I am sure Honourable Members do so, too, that it will not be long before we are not only back where we were prior to the outbreak of the strike and boycott, but advancing far beyond. But until that time comes we must be content to hold firmly on to what we have got, and to restrain ourselves from any undertakings which would jeopardize our financial stability when we wish to take the next big step forward. Consequently the present budget has been framed on the most conservative lines possible. Economy has been our watchword in framing it, and however much we may have desired to proceed with eminently desirable works, we have decided that for the present we must cut our coat according to our cloth, and I am afraid it has resulted in a somewhat tight fit. In accordance with our policy of maintaining our estate and a very fine estate it is at the highest possible efficiency we have left our Administrative and Protective Services at full strength, and have even increased them in some minor particulars, e.g., in the Clerical and Accounting Staffs, in the Harbour, Police and Medical Departments and in the Police and Defence Corps; and we have allowed a small increase in importance, and in Public Works Recurrent Votes for maintenance. There is a reduction of nearly \$22,000 in Public Works Department Personal Emoluments. After providing for the full maintenance of all the essential services we were left with a certain sum of money for Public Works Extraordinary and the first items to be provided for were those that were progress which could not be abandoned or small sum of money left over. After provision had been made for these works has been devoted to some of the most urgent of the minor works which are awaiting attention.

UNWISE TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL BURDENS.

It would, of course, be possible to increase taxation or to raise sufficient money to pay for some of the works we have felt obliged

to postpone. But it would be unwise to lay additional burdens on the community just when trade is beginning to pick up. It must be our first duty to foster that recovery by every means in our power. Consequently with two small exceptions to which I shall refer later it is not proposed to alter any of the existing sources of revenue. We have not, however, overlooked the possibility of proceeding with works of development by means of a loan and I shall at a later point in our proceedings this afternoon move the first reading of a Bill authorizing the provision for a loan of \$5,000,000 to carry out the Shing Mun Water Scheme, the Harbour Dredging and the Colony's share of the Kai Tak Aerodrome. It must be remembered, however, that nearly \$2,000,000 of this amount is required to pay back to our balances sums already expended on the waterworks scheme. This sum is expected to be available before the end of this year and is duly taken into account in considering the money available for expenditure next year.

FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COLONY.

Before proceeding with the details of the budget I propose to deal briefly with the general financial position of the Colony, and in this connection, I would ask Honourable Members to refer to my remarks when introducing the Supplementary Supply Bill for 1926 on 23rd June last. We started this year with a surplus balance of \$3,450,290 of which we regarded \$1,400,000 as liquid assets. The estimates of revenue and expenditure for the current year have been carefully revised and are shown on pages 5 and 12 of the draft Estimates now in Honourable Members' hands. It will be seen that we anticipate a shortfall of revenue of nearly \$500,000 and an under expenditure of some \$730,000. Since the figures were printed it has been decided to charge to revenue instead of to the loan the cost of the old site of the Diocesan Boys' School, viz., \$253,500 which will reduce our under expenditure to \$476,544 and leave us with an estimated deficit on this year's working of \$1,302,257 to be met from our estimated liquid balance of \$1,400,000. We might, therefore, have expected that we should have to commence next year with a surplus balance of \$2,184,033 of which only some \$97,000 would be liquid available. As it happens, however, more of our balances have become liquid during the current year and there should be at least \$2,416,408 available for the year without taking into account repayments from loan. This will have been added before the end of the year the sum of \$1,016,408 expended from revenue on the Shing Mun Water Scheme and reimbursed from the loan. We therefore expect to start the year 1928 with a surplus of assets over liabilities of \$4,100,439 and liquid balances of \$2,416,408.

REVENUE.

Revenue for the present year has not come in quite as well as we hoped. The new Liquor Duties have not come up to expectations and the total liquor duties show an estimated shortfall of \$350,000. Opium Revenue shows a shortage of \$200,000. Stamp Duties of \$200,000 and Land Sales of \$200,000. While the last two do not doubt reflect the fact that trade conditions, though certainly improving, are still far from normal, the first two which ought to have shown increases owing to the increased population can only be explained by the extensive smuggling, which we know goes on in spite of all our efforts to prevent it. In view of the shortage this year we have not felt justified in estimating our revenue for next year at more than \$20,103,390, in approximately four lakhs less than the revised estimate for this year, which has been raised by certain windfalls in the way of interest and miscellaneous receipts on which we cannot rely next year.

Expenditure is estimated at \$22,183,045. This is \$131,657 less than the original estimate for this year and \$568,387 more than the revised estimate. Estimated expenditure for next year, \$21,405,642, to which we expect to have liquid balances of \$2,416,408 available at the end of this year. It may be asked what of the future, what is to be done if revenue does not markedly improve during the next few years. We have been living for some years on our accumulated surpluses which we are consuming at a rate which is certainly more rapid than we like, but it must be remembered that with practically no additional taxation we are carrying the burden of a programme of works undertaken in the spacious days of an overflowing exchequer. Luckily these works, where it has not been possible to shut them down, are rapidly nearing completion, in some cases I regret to say, in a much abbreviated form, and at the end of 1928 we hope to find our commitments of the past reduced to a comparatively small figure.

We must, however, recognize that when we reach the end of our liquid balances we shall have to rely on revenue alone for any Public Works Extraordinary which are not chargeable to loan, and unless our revenue increases, either by increased prosperity or by increased taxation, we shall have to be content with a much smaller annual expenditure on Public Works Extraordinary than has been usual in the last few years. No Class III post for the Marine Survey Office; this is in connection with the increase in staff of that office and is referred to in the seasonal paper on that subject; and one more Probationer. Officers with special scales of salary different from those fixed for the various classes of the Senior Clerical Service have been grouped in the 1928 Estimates in a different way from the grouping shown in the 1927 Estimates. This involves no increase other than the stipulated increments.

TWO SMALL CHANGES.

There are only two changes contemplated in the sources of revenue next year. One is a small increase in school fees; at certain schools, which will bring Government income into line with private school fees. This is expected to be about \$60,000 and cannot be considered a serious burden. Notice of this increase was given in June last. The other is an increase of survey fees for steamships and steam launches. As is well known to Honourable Members the Government is as anxious as any one to maintain the attractiveness of our splendid harbour and it will be found that we have provided for a very considerable increase of expenditure on the Harbour Department with that aim in view. As a means of recouping ourselves for some of that expenditure we have felt justified in raising some of our survey fees to bring in an additional sum estimated at \$22,000. The matter is of such interest and importance that a seasonal paper has been prepared and laid before Honourable Members to-day, fully explaining the proposals and I trust justifying both the expenditure and the increase of the fees.

THE NEW LOAN.

Before leaving revenue I should like to make a few remarks concerning the loan which is proposed shortly to float in Hong Kong and the works which it is proposed to finance from it. The total amount of the loan is to be \$5,000,000 at a per cent. Of this \$3,500,000 is provisionally allocated for water works of which the Shing Mun Scheme is likely to absorb just over \$3,100,000 according to the latest figures I have available. \$1,000,000 is provisionally allocated for the Harbour Dredging and the Colony's share of the Kai Tak Aerodrome and the remaining \$500,000 is unallocated.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has proposed that the Imperial Government shall bear three quarters of the cost of the Aerodrome and the Colony one quarter, but the matter has not yet been finally decided by His Majesty's Government. If that proportion should be adopted the cost to the Colony according to the latest figures available would be \$602,700 for Dredging and \$504,500 for Kai Tak Aerodrome, and it will be necessary to draw on the unallocated funds of the loan to the extent of \$1,107,200. It is proposed to raise \$3,000,000 of the total loan in November next. While dealing with loan works I would observe that it had been intended to issue in time for to-day's meeting a seasonal paper on the proposed Aberdeen Reservoir, on the Vehicle Ferry Scheme and on the New General Civil Hospital Scheme, but our Engineers were very fully occupied earlier in the year with work for the Military in connection with the arrival of that part of the Shanghai Defence Force which is stationed here, and it has not been found possible to complete the investigations in time. The seasonal papers will be issued at a later date.

I would invite the attention of Honourable Members to Appendix V, in the Draft Estimates, which gives a statement of the position of the 1925 Trading Loan. This, of course, but it is published for information in what is considered a convenient place.

EXPENDITURE.

Turning now to expenditure, the total estimate is \$22,183,045. There is a decrease in Public Works Extraordinary of \$1,259,100. This however is offset by an increase of \$130,638 for Military Contribution and \$128,076 for Pensions, neither of which can we regulate at will. Other large increases are \$167,151 for the Harbour Department, \$125,101 for the Marine Survey Office, and \$125,325 for the Police Department. The more important decreases, and increases are the following:—

Head 2—Cadet Service.

Provision has been made for one more cadet, who will be necessary to keep the cadre up to strength.

Head 3—Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff.

Altogether there are three new posts under this head. One Class II post for the Registry of the Supreme Court; recent experience has shown that it is necessary to detail an officer specially to look after the accounting and financial work of the Supreme Court; one Class III post for the Marine Survey Office; this is in connection with the increase in staff of that office and is referred to in the seasonal paper on that subject; and one more Probationer. Officers with special scales of salary different from those fixed for the various classes of the Senior Clerical Service have been grouped in the 1928 Estimates in a different way from the grouping shown in the 1927 Estimates. This involves no increase other than the stipulated increments.

Head 4—Junior Clerical Service.

The whole of the postal staff of the Junior Clerical Service has been transferred from this head to Head 11—Post Office. The reason for this is that postal clerks unlike clerks in other departments are not ordinarily transferable, and depend for promotion on vacancies in the Post Office only, and not in the service as a whole.

The number of posts in the Higher Class and Classes I. to III. has been slightly increased, and the numbers in Classes IV. and V. correspondingly reduced. It was found that promotion to the higher classes was unduly slow, and that efficiency was likely to be affected in consequence, and it is proposed to work up gradually each year until a fixed ratio between the numbers in each class has been reached. The clerical staff in the Post Office will also be worked to the same proportions.

Additional posts are one Class IV. Clerk for the Malaria Research Office, to whom I will refer when dealing with the Medical Department and four Class IV. Clerks for the Colonial Secretary's Office, Education and Prisons Departments.

Head 7—Treasury.

The post of Assistant Crown Solicitor for this office is for the present in abeyance. An Assistant Crown Solicitor has been at the Treasury since November of last year and has done very good work in getting the system into working order, and it is hoped that next year it will be possible for an Assistant Crown Solicitor from the Crown Solicitor's Office spending half his time at the Treasury to cope with the work. It may be necessary in more flourishing times to consider the restoration of this post.

Head 11—Post Office.

The increase is due almost entirely to the transfer of provision for the clerical staff from Head 4—Junior Clerical Service.

Head 12—Imports and Exports Department.

Under personal emoluments provision is made for one more European Revenue Officer. The inadequacy of the present staff which does not allow for an officer to be detailed exclusively for ship

searching, has been aggravated by the reduction in the period qualifying for home leave from 4½ to 4 years. Provision has also been made for granting retent allowances to Chinese Senior Revenue Officers and 1st Class Revenue Officers of ten years service on the same basis as the grants to Chinese Sergeant Majors and 1st Class Constables respectively in the Police Force.

\$3,000 has been inserted under Special Expenditure for the purchase of a motor car. This is required in connection with the control of distilleries. At present the train and motor but have to be relied on, which involves much waste of time. A motor cycle and side car would not be suitable as it will be necessary to transport the European and two Chinese Revenue Officers, as well as bulky materials and samples of spirit. Provision has also been made, but under the Harbour Department on page 26 of the printed Estimates, for a motor boat at a cost of \$7,000. A considerable amount of opium smuggling is done by junk and sampans on the Kowloon side of the harbour, where there is no definite water front as there is on this side of the harbour, and the occasional hiring of a launch has proved unsatisfactory, chiefly because it robs the raids and searches of the essential element of surprise.

Head 13—Harbour Department.

Apart from the increase in the staff of the Marine Survey Office, to which I have already referred, and which is fully dealt with in the seasonal paper on the subject, there are only minor increases under personal emoluments. Provision is made for the crews of the two new launches and motor boat which it is proposed to build next year, and there is also inserted on page 30 of the printed Estimates one Boatwain for the Government slipway at Yau Ma Tei. All stores, etc., for Government launches are issued here, and it is anticipated that the appointment of this boatwain whose duties will be largely that of a storeman will more than pay for itself by the prevention of leakage of the stores. Subhead 2—Coal and Oil Fuel for Launches and Subhead 12—Repairs, Minor Improvements and Stores for Launches and Boats are increased with the greater number of craft. Subhead 4—Electric Fans and Light has also been increased as the former offices of the Imports and Exports Department have been taken over by the Harbour Department. A sum of \$25,000 has been inserted for the purchase of a new launch for the Boarding Officers. The number of Boarding Officers has been increased from three to five this year, and there is available for them only one launch, which is quite inadequate for the work to be performed, particularly since the limits of the harbour have been extended to Lyemun Pass.

The present motor launch H.D.5 is now quite unworthy for anything but a flat calm. She is to be tried for junk inspection work at Aberdeen where the water is calm, and must be replaced in the harbour.

The sum of \$40,000, with the supplementary vote of \$10,000 added, for the launch to replace the "Victoria" has been carried over to next year. Finance Committee and the work will be in progress this year but payment is not expected to fall due until 1928.

Head 15—Fire Brigade Department.

A European Sub-Officer is substituted for an Inspection Officer; this will mean a slight saving as the salary of the former is less than that of the latter.

Subhead 2—"Clothing" has been increased by \$3,500. The present material used is not satisfactory, and it is proposed to purchase "Wet Proof" material from England. This should prove much more durable, and so more economical in the long run.

\$10,500 has been inserted for the purchase of a light motor pump to replace a worn out machine.

Head 17—Attorney-General.

In order to obviate the necessity of taking a supplementary vote in a small department, where there would not be sufficient savings to pay the salary of the officer acting for an officer on leave, it has been decided that where such officer can be foreseen provision shall be made in the Estimates. There is a case in point in this department.

Head 22—Police Force.

There is a net increase on this head of \$155,225, of which \$128,100 is accounted for by two launches. Under personal emoluments provision is made for one more European Sergeant, who will take the place of one European Lance Sergeant. Provision is however made for seven additional European Lance Sergeants so that the Estimates show one additional Lance Sergeant. This increase has been very carefully considered by the Government, and has only been allowed because the Government is satisfied that it is necessary. One of the seven is required for the finger print and photography department, for which at present only one officer can be spared; the work is very much on the increase, and extra assistance is urgently required, one is needed for duty in the Pass Office to assist in keeping track of and rounding up undesirable aliens. Of the remaining five, two are required for street duty in the Mongkok

District, and three for the Kowloon City District, which embraces Kowloon Tong. Both these districts are expanding rapidly, and it is necessary that they should be properly policed. The only other change in personal emoluments is the increase in the Indian contingent by forty-five posts, to balance the decrease of forty-five posts in the Wei Hui Wei contingent.

Under other charges subhead 2—"Ammunition" and subhead 7—"Clothing and Accoutrements" have been increased by \$4,000 and \$3,000 respectively to provide for the Police Reserve. Subhead 12—"Passages" has had to be increased by \$3,000 to meet the increased cost due to the reduction of the qualifying period from 4½ to 4 years. Subhead 20—"Petrol, etc." is increased by \$1,500 owing to the formation of the Police Flying Squad. Subhead 22—"Rations for Indian Police" has gone up with the increase in the strength of the Indian contingent. Subhead 24—"Repairs to Police Cars and Cycles" was under estimated in previous years, and a supplementary vote for \$2,000 was taken last April. The vote has now been increased by \$2,300. "Secret Service" subhead 27, has been reduced by \$2,300, the amount now inserted being considered sufficient.

One hundred rifles will be required for the Police Reserve, and provision has accordingly been made under subhead 32—"Purchase of Arms." A recurrent expenditure of \$2,500 which is required for spares and replacements has been transferred from subhead 32 to subhead 3. One of the Police motor cars and three of the cycles require specially extensive repairs and provision is accordingly made under subhead 33. The Harbour Launch, \$25,000, is to replace No. 8 Launch, which was quite worn out, so much so that, when the engine had been removed not more than \$200 could be obtained for the hull. At the present moment therefore the Police are one launch short for harbour duty, which means that the remaining launches have to be run almost continuously night and day without adequate provision for overhaul and repair, actual breakdown. The cruising launch is to replace the "Sham No. 3" Launch formerly the "Sham No. 3" which was only bought as a stop gap. The Government Marine Surveyor has reported that she is quite unworthy in anything but the most sheltered waters; consequently she is to all intents and purposes useless as a cruising launch. The new launch will be fitted with wireless and a 3 pounder gun. The Indian beds, subhead 44, are for increased number of Indian Police.

Head 25—Medical Department.

As a result of the investigations and recommendations of the Naval Malaria Preventive Officer, Singapore, who visited Hong Kong in conjunction with the Medical and Sanitary Departments, it has been decided that the only really effective way, and at the same time the most economical way, of tackling the malaria problem in the Colony is to appoint a specially trained malaria research officer, with a small staff to assist him to investigate and advise on the work to be undertaken. At present the incidence of malarial fever in some parts of the Island and in the New Territories is very high; and it is largely due to the prevalence of malaria in districts such as—Taipo, Stanley and Shek O have not been developed as residential areas. In view of the great progress which is being made in other parts of the world in combating the ravages of malaria, it is a standing reproach to this Colony that so little improvement has been made here. In spite of the need for economy we can no longer afford to neglect this all important problem and the first step necessary is to obtain expert advice on the best way of attaining our end. I have been much interested to notice since the estimates were printed that this subject has received considerable public attention as the result of a well known article on Malaria by a well known Medical Professor of the Hong Kong University. The annual cost for next year is estimated at just over \$20,000. This provides for the Research Officer at \$8,000, a European Inspector, six coolies for work in the field, \$2,000 for equipment, microscopes, etc., and \$5,000 for field works. As the investigations proceed it will probably be necessary in subsequent years to increase the amount provided for field works.

It has been decided that the Medical Officer of Health and the Assistant Medical Officers should more properly appear under the Medical than under the Sanitary Department Estimates, though they will remain seconded to the latter for treatment. Provision has been made for one more Assistant Medical Officer of Health. He will be required for work in rural districts both on the main land and on the island. It is not proposed that these districts shall be brought under the control of the Sanitary Board on the same way as the urban will be more in the nature of educating and instructing the villagers in sanitation and hygiene. He will of course work in conjunction with the District Officers.

With the opening of the new central medical store, a very necessary and long-needed provision to insure the economical use of valuable stores, it will be necessary to

engage an additional Assistant Apothecary, and provision has accordingly been made. It is intended to use the Victoria Hospital for men as well as for women. It is more suitable than the General Civil Hospital for Europeans and there is now sufficient accommodation to cope with the increased number of patients which this will entail provision has been made for two more Nursing Sisters. Probationer nurses have been increased by six posts. In time it is hoped that these Chinese nurses will be able to take the place of Europeans, and it is considered desirable that as many as possible should be trained.

Under other charges subhead 14—"Fuel and Light" has been increased by \$2,500. Previously this vote was under-estimated. Two of the votes of the Bacteriological Institute have been increased in order to meet the growing demand for vaccines and sera. The sale of these is of course a source of revenue to Government.

Head 26—Sanitary Department.

The scavenging at Aberdeen, Apichau, Stanley and Tytan which is at present done by a contractor is to be done departmentally on the expiration of the present contract at the end of this year. It is anticipated that the work will be much more efficiently done. Provision has been made for the extra staff required. Drivers of bullock carts have again been considerably reduced with the proceeds of the scheme of replacing bullock refuse carts by motor lorries. Subhead 31—"Purchase and Maintenance of Bullocks" has for similar reasons been cut down to \$1,000. Motor lorries are proving most successful, and more economical than bullock-carts.

The number of subheads under other charges has been reduced by amalgamating those which provided for similar services. This has enabled reductions to be made on many of the votes, and is also more convenient in working.

Provision is made for the purchase of one more motor lorry, and for the fitting of solid tires to all Sanitary Department lorries. Owing to the nature of their work, the use of pneumatic tires has been found uneconomical.

Head 27—Botanical and Forestry Department.

There is an increase of nine gardeners, six of whom will be required to look after the extensive lawns surrounding the Kowloon Hospital, two for the nursery and propagating department and one for the General Civil Hospital.

Head 28—Educational Department.

At present we are without King's College which is being used as a military hospital. It is however necessary that provision should be made for staffing it and running it in the event of the number of troops in the Colony being so reduced next year that they will not require King's College. Six British mistresses on the temporary staff who were formerly paid from savings on personal emoluments are now included in the estimates. The teaching staff of the Normal Middle School and the Normal School for Women have been increased by one English teacher at the former, and by three lecturers at the latter. Both these schools are proving very popular and are expanding.

Subhead 7—"Incidental Expenses" has been increased so as to provide uniforms for office attendants, messengers, and coolies in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee which investigated the matter. The same scale applies for all office staff throughout the service. Subheads 10 and 11—"Students-in-training" have been reduced with the decrease in number of these students.

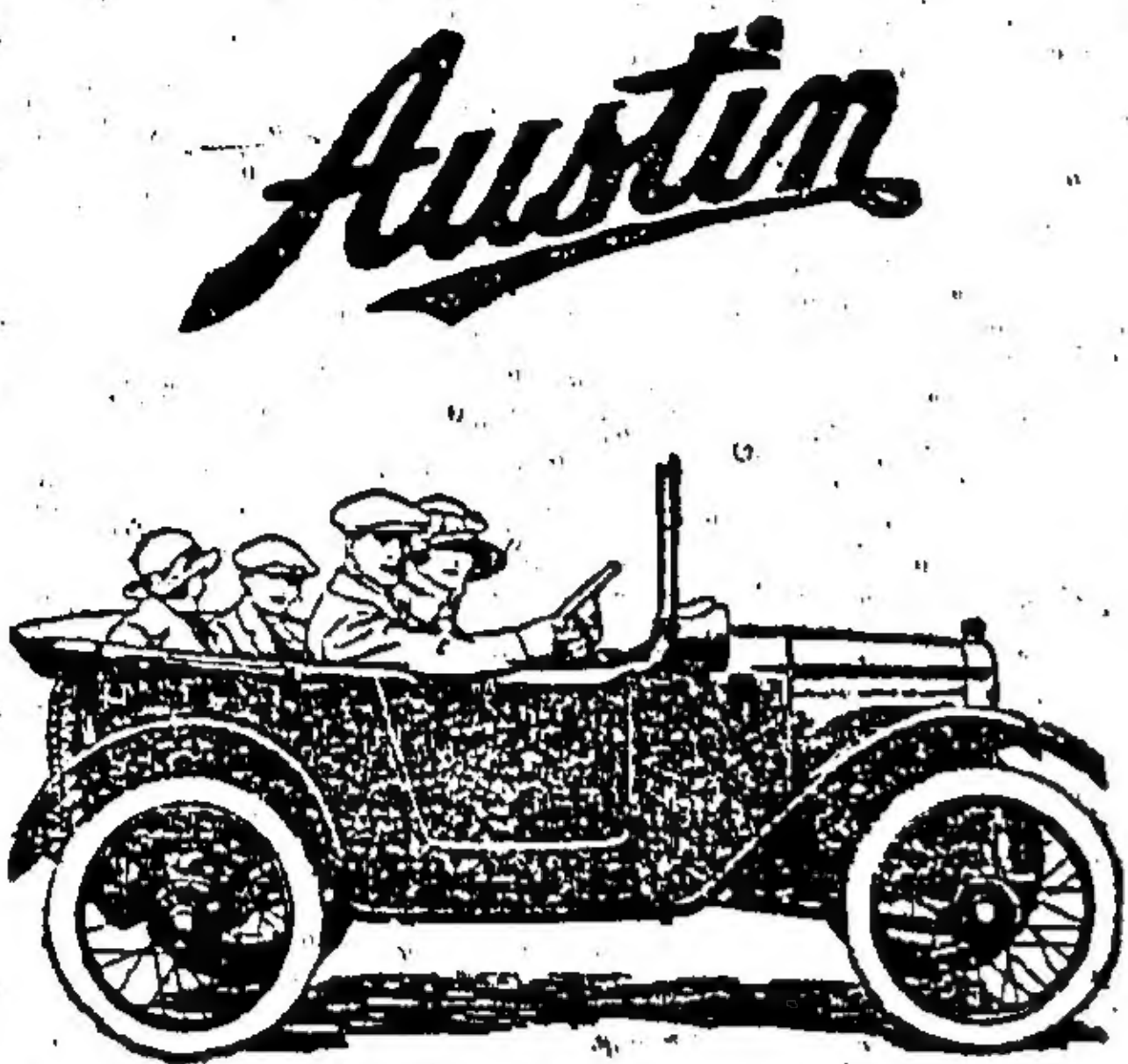
Coming now to grants and subsidies, Government may under the Grant Code make various grants to non-Government schools which fulfil certain conditions regarding buildings, the number of pupils entered, etc. It has been the policy in the past for schools to obtain these grants as almost automatic. It is however necessary to fix a limit to these increasing demands on the public purse. Such sums as the Government considers equitable are provided in the Estimates, and it will be the duty of school managers to regulate their arrangements, in consultation with the Director of Education, that their requirements can be met from the sums provided. Unauthorized expenditure involving claims beyond the amounts provided will not be recognized by the Government as a legitimate charge on the Revenue. The amounts now inserted in the Estimates have been scrutinized very carefully and will, it is hoped, prove adequate. It will be noticed that the sum for building grants has been reduced, and I invite the special attention of persons interested to the remarks I have made elsewhere on the inability of Government to subsidize schemes started without adequate financial provision.

The \$11,828 inserted for equipment for King's College includes gymnastic apparatus, physics and chemistry apparatus for 3rd year pupils, drawing models and a few miscellaneous items. Part of this sum will be required until King's College is again available for educational purposes.

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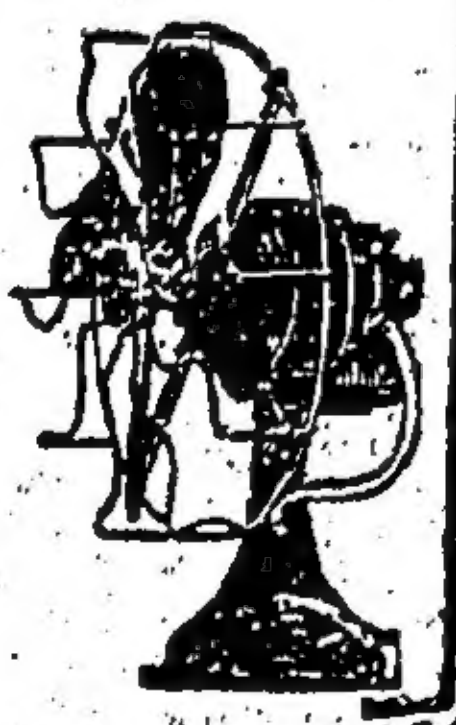


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THE COLONIAL SECRETARY'S SPEECH.

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Head 23—Public Works Department.

There is a net reduction of \$31,677 on personal emoluments of the Public Works Department. Of the increases \$30,525 is for stipulated increments and \$19,987 for new posts. Of the decreases \$31,390 is accounted for by posts abolished and \$48,445 by posts left vacant. Posts have been abolished and omitted from the Estimates where it is felt that there is no likelihood of their being required in normal years. Vacant posts are those which are regarded as necessary for the normal establishment of the department, but though shown in the Estimates they are at the moment left unfilled and without provision of funds for their salaries owing to the reduction in the amount of Public Works provided for. Reduction has been effected by leaving unfilled posts which have become vacant through retirements, resignations, expirations of agreements and other causes. It will probably be possible to make further reductions as time goes on, if the programme of Public Works is not increased. Meanwhile however provision must be made for all officers who will be on the establishment on January 1st of next year.

It may seem curious that new posts are required in the Public Works Department but it must be remembered that the Public Works Department comprises many different sub-departments not all of which are affected by the reduction of Special Expenditure. The amount required for new posts provides for one Stenographer for the Accounts and Stores Branch, one Wireless Telegraphist for the Police Department, one foreman mechanic for the Government Garage at Wai-tai, two 1st class and two 2nd required in connection with the revision of the survey of the Colony, one cable joiner and one foreman. When considering the staff of the Public Works Department it should be remembered that to the \$2,407,164 provided for expenditure under Public Works Extraordinary must be added a sum estimated at over \$2,000,000 to be expended next year from Loan Funds and funds provided by His Majesty's Government on the Water Schemes, the Harbour Dredging and the Aerodrome, all of which are being carried out under the supervision of the existing Public Works Staff.

Under other charges "Conveyance Allowances" show a decrease with the reduction in staff. Sub-head 3—Drawing Materials and Mounting Plans" has been reduced by \$2,000. Sub-head 4—"Electric Fans and Light" has been increased by \$28,000. The whole of the increase of the new Fire Station building is to be paid for by the Public Works Department. Sub-head 5—"Incidental Expenses" has been reduced by \$3,000, and sub-head 6—"Lifts Maintenance" has been reduced by \$4,000. The Fire Brigade which provides the operators will in future also pay for the maintenance of the lifts in the Fire Station Building. More surveying instruments will be required next year, and the vote has been increased accordingly. With the purchase of more Government cars not so much will be required for the "Transport and Travelling" vote, and a reduction of \$2,000 has been made. Sub-head 9—"Uniforms" has been increased so as to provide the office staff, messengers, etc., with uniforms in accordance with the fixed scale. The motor and steam rollers will require more extensive repairs next year, and the vote has been increased to \$3,000. A reduction of \$2,000 has been made on sub-head 13, "Upkeep of Quarry Plant." The Radio Telegraph Branch has been steadily expanding, and next year it is proposed to install a short wave transmitter and receiver which will enable commercial messages to and from the United Kingdom and possibly other countries to be handled. It is anticipated that this will bring in a considerable amount of revenue, as well as effecting a saving on Government messages. Provision is made for the necessary apparatus under Special Expenditure, and with more apparatus it will be necessary to increase the sub-head "Repairs, Stores and Current." Provision has also been made for an additional receiver to improve the reception of Rugby press messages, which often cannot be received owing to atmospheric conditions. With the new apparatus it is expected almost all will be clearly received.

Head 30—Public Works Recurrent.

There is a net increase on this head of \$69,750 but of this amount \$13,000 for upkeep of bathing places has been transferred from Head 34—Miscellaneous Services.

Among the chief increases are a total for Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Kowloon of \$11,750 for lighting and extensions of lighting. Maintenance of Praya-Walls and Piers at Kowloon has been increased by \$7,000. The corresponding vote for New Kowloon has been placed at the proper figure of \$10,000, the figure of \$100 in the current year's estimate being an error. "Maintenance" and "Im-

provements to Buildings" in the New Territories have been increased by \$8,000 and \$8,000 respectively. This is chiefly due to the number of Police Stations which will require heavy repairs next year. "Maintenance of Roads and Bridges" in the New Territories has been increased considerably. The Colony is justly proud of its splendid roads, and it would be false economy not to keep them up properly.

Head 31—Public Works Extraordinary.

The Head, Public Works Extraordinary, is in some ways more interesting for what it contains than for what it contains. A very long list of urgent public works was very carefully considered, but what we have provided for have used up practically the whole of our available balances and we cannot undertake further liabilities without funds. There are Hospitals, Markets, Latrines, Bath Houses, Schools, Roads, a Police Training School, Police Stations, Public Bathing Benches, the Kowloon Point Improvements, Wireless Direction Finders, and many other works which the Government would gladly undertake if they could be accomplished without increasing the burden of taxation. As matters stand they must wait until we have cleared off our commitments or until our revenue increases.

Head 32—Kowloon-Canton Railway.

At first sight there appears to be a considerable increase on this head. Actually it is not so. The extra cost in staff, coal, repairs, etc., resulting from our locomotives running through to Canton is over \$97,000. This is also to be recovered from the Chinese Section, so that the apparent increase of \$70,000 on this head is converted into a decrease of \$27,000. The present arrangement whereby our locomotives run through to Canton is working very satisfactorily. It is very gratifying to see the two sections of this railway co-operating so harmoniously to the mutual benefit of both. It is to be hoped that this spirit of mutual help will extend to other activities. As a result of the resumption of through traffic, receipts have gone up.

Apart from the increase just referred to there are no alterations of importance under either Personal Emoluments or Other Charges. It is proposed to keep the Fan-ling-Shataukok branch running until the end of 1928 by which time it is hoped the future prospects of the district may be more clear. For this purpose a sum of \$9,000 is inserted for special repairs. The future of the line will depend on the state of affairs in the adjacent portion of Kwang-tung in 1928, and if it is to be continued permanently a heavy outlay will be necessary in 1929.

Head 33—Defence: Hong Kong Defence Corps.

The Ammunition vote sub-head 3 has been increased by \$2,500 partly owing to the greater number of machine-guns which will mean a greater expenditure of ammunition, and partly owing to the formation of the Portuguese Company, which is also responsible for the increase in the Uniform vote. As Volunteers are considered as mobilised when in camp they will receive pay; this is included under sub-head 5, "Camp Expenses," which is increased by \$5,500. The infantry are to be armed to a greater extent than heretofore with Machine Guns. It is proposed to purchase four next year and four the year after. Similarly the Armoured Car Section is to be augmented by two motor cycles fitted to take Machine Guns. With the growth of the Corps certain structural alterations at Headquarters are necessary and provision is made accordingly. At present there is one armoured car. It is desirable to add one more, so that one can be available on either side of the harbour; I trust no occasion for using them will ever arise, but it is necessary to be prepared for any eventuality. As Honourable Members are aware it is proposed to purchase a Regimental and a King's Colour for the Corps. They have already been ordered, but it is not expected that they will be ready until next year and provision has therefore to be made. Should either or both of the Colours be presented to the Corps there will be a corresponding saving to the Revenue.

It has been decided by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to postpone for the present the formation of a Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve in Hong Kong.

Head 34—Miscellaneous Services.

The matter of the Government's contribution towards the cost of three armed launches for anti-piracy work in the Delta has already been before the Finance Committee. The agreement terminates in March of next year, but as it is possible that it may be renewed, provision for the whole year is made. The cost is admittedly heavy, but it is essential that the commerce of this Colony should be protected from piratical attack.

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BASEBALL SURPRISE.

FILIPINOS SNATCH VICTORY FROM JAPANESE.

ZAFRA TWIRLS CAPITAL GAME.

[BY MONOCULAR KID.]

The biggest surprise yet staged on the local ball diamond was pulled off by the Filipinos yesterday in a seven canto struggle against the crack Japanese nine, whom they defeated by one run.

The game was full of thrills and the Filipinos were never in better form than yesterday.

A Common Felling.

Although great credit is given to the Filipinos, it must also be mentioned that the Japanese defeat was not due to inferior play. There is a very common danger for strong teams when they are playing against weaker opponents. They are inclined to take things easily and look upon the game more as a practice to try new bloods. This was exactly what happened to the Japanese yesterday. S. Hachiuma instead of taking the pill himself, placed Koga on the mound. It proved an expensive mistake, for when Hachiuma replaced him, it took him two innings to get "warmed up," with the result that very little time was left him to get the scores level. While the Japanese were experimenting with their men in various positions, the Filipinos were busily getting runs.

"Big Ben" and Small Catcher.

The game was about the most thrilling one seen here this season. The Japanese did some beautiful base stealing in the fifth inning, and on two occasions "pulled off" a double play.

Zafra and Fernandez formed a very strong battery for the Filipinos. "Big Ben" Zafra was digging out in and out curves and drops much to the discomfort of the Japanese. Fernandez seemed to have grasped the art of catching nicely and Zafra's speedy ones did not trouble him in the least.

Darkness Assists Filipinos.

At the end of the fifth stanza, the score was level and when the Japanese went in to bat on the sixth, they drew a blank. The Filipinos also were blanked out in this frame. It was getting dark when the Japanese opened the seventh inning. They gathered one solitary run which gave them on the lead, and when the Filipinos went into bat to close the seventh inning, the light was failing. New bats had to be requisitioned, and one could see little more than a white ball travelling through the air and the players were more or less shadows. The fielding team had the worst of it.

How The Winning Run Was Made.

Delgado went in for the Filipinos, but he never reached first. Malig singled. Zafra ran for him, and when Terry Leonard doubled out, Zafra came home. This run made the score even and excitement at this stage knew no bounds. "Shorty" Bautista went in and batted out a hefty one which brought home Terry Leonard from second base and incidentally earned the winning run for his side.

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Sub-head 24—"Chinese Faculty at the University of Hong Kong." Your Excellency is keenly interested in the promotion of higher education in the Chinese language at the University. At first the beginnings must be small, but in time it is hoped that the faculty may attract students from China, Malaya, and elsewhere. For the present it cannot be expected to be self-supporting, and provision is made for the salary of an adviser, the Rev. H. E. Wells, O.B.E., and one lecturer.

Head 35—Charitable Services.

There are two new votes under this head. They are \$10,000 for free burials for the Tung Wah Hospital and \$7,000 for the Kwong Wah Hospital. The Tung Wah Hospital Committee has appealed for a reimbursement of the cost and the Government feels that this is a proper charge on the Revenue. The question of amending the Pension Minutes to enable a gratuity of a year's salary to be paid to an officer's dependents on his death whilst serving has already been before the Finance Committee, and is at present being considered by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. In order to avoid the necessity for making each grant the subject of a separate supplementary vote as has been done this year, a sum of \$20,000 has been inserted in the Estimates.

There may be disappointment that it is not intended to proceed with such eminently attractive and popular public works as the scheme for improved bathing beaches, but as I made evident at the beginning of my speech the present time is not one for embarking on anything that is not absolutely essential.

[The debate on the Budget will take place at the next meeting of the Council which has been fixed for Thursday, September 15th.]

HOME FOOTBALL.

WEDNESDAY'S MATCHES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, August 31st.

Matches played in the Home Football Leagues yesterday resulted as follows:—

Division I.

Arsenal 4, Burnley 1.
Liverpool 5, Bury 1.
Middlesbrough 3, Tottenham 1.
Portsmouth 3, Aston Villa 1.

Division II.

Bristol C. 4, Port Vale 0.
West Brom 2, Stoke C. 4.

Division III (Southern).

Bournemouth 2, Southampton 3.
Plymouth 4, Bristol R. 1.

Division III (Northern).

Bradford C. 0, Darlington 1.
New Brighton 3, Doncaster 1.
Wrexham 2, Crewe 0.

GOLF.

Two Interport Golf matches are likely to be played during the coming season; the first at Manilla next month, and the other at Fanning between Hong Kong and Shanghai soon after China New Year.

SCHOOLBOY HOWLERS FROM YORKSHIRE.

Among the "howlers" perpetrated by pupils at a Huddersfield school during a recent examination were the following:—Who is the President of the U.S.A.—(1) Sir Austin Chamberlain. (2) Mr. Cook. What is the Grand National—An Anthem. The Kodak is the Bible of the Mohammedans.

APPEAL FOR ABOLITION OF CLASS HATRED.

Speaking from the presidential chair at the afternoon session of the Royal Welsh National Eisteddfod at Holyhead, Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P., made an eloquent plea for the burying of the hatchet, and urged that all class bitterness should be abolished. There was no short road to a solution of the problem, he said. There was no warring of the magic wand, but it was only when we could abolish this spirit of bitterness and hatred that this country would step forward.

No Hope For Japanese.

The Japanese have been defeated twice now and their chances of winning the League championship are practically gone. The "Dragons" will again win the League this year.

The lineup of the teams was:—
Y. Hachiuma c. Fernandez
Kanda. 2b. Cruz
Murata. 1b. T. Leonard
S. Hachiuma s. Bautista
Salido c.f. Delgado
Takatori i.f. D. Leonard
Tajima. 3b. Bull
Yoshikawa r.f. Malig
Koga p. Zafra
Scores by innings:—
Japanese..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Total
Filipinos..... 1 1 0 1 0 2 3

For the last few years we have been making both ends meet by using up the savings of the past. Those savings are now coming to an end. We are borrowing money for essential works which will benefit future generations, but the ordinary day-to-day expenses of administration, and of upkeep of the harbour, roads, etc., must be met out of current revenue. With care that revenue will suffice; and it has been our endeavour in framing this budget to exercise that care.

We depend, Sir, for our prosperity now as ever on peace and prosperity in China and particularly in South China; the removal of the chief seat of trouble further North has resulted in a slight alleviation of our difficulties here, but our own clouds cannot roll away until the horizon in China once more becomes clear and serene. It is the earnest hope of every well-wisher of Hong Kong and of China alike, and this Government numbers itself among the well-wishers of both that that happy event may be consummated at no distant date.

Before closing my remarks I should like again to express my indebtedness to Heads of Departments generally and especially to the Colonial Treasurer and his Assistants, and to my staff in the Colonial Secretary's Office for the willing help they have given in the preparation of this Budget, and not least to Your Excellency for the personal interest and advice with which you have assisted me throughout.

I now move the first reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding seven million four hundred and fifty thousand one hundred and three Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1928."

[The debate on the Budget will take place at the next meeting of the Council which has been fixed for Thursday, September 15th.]

A CANADIAN "MARATHON" SWIM.

GERMAN COMPETITOR WINS.

200 "THROW UP THE SPONGE."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LAKE ONTARIO, Sept. 1st.

A Marathon swim of 21 miles—for a first prize (if winner a man) of \$28,000; (if winner a woman) of \$7,000—resulted in a win for the German swimmer Vierkotter (who a few years ago swam the English Channel) in 11 hours, 45 minutes. Vierkotter received an ovation from a quarter of a million people when he landed two miles ahead of his nearest rival, Michel, the Frenchman, who is the Channel record-holder, and who, on this occasion, finished in 3½ hours later. George Young, the Catalina Channel conqueror, was among 200 other competitors, including women, who were forced to give up the struggle.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

"JOHNNY GET YOUR HAIR CUT."

THE BROADWAY FOLLIES: A COLOURFUL BALLET.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

There is a most satisfying programme at the Queen's today and to-morrow. Dancers and singers who perform on the stage of a cinematograph theatre are often very small beer, but the "Broadway Follies" are exceptionally good. They present two dance turns, a song and a colourful and pleasing ballet. The last item is perhaps the most interesting as it gives an opportunity for rhythmic movement and colour effect which is wanting in the earlier dances. Slender girls in stage gipsy costume and two men dressed like operatic princes, move now in a rapid whirl of abandon, now with slow and sinuous motion. The company all trained dancers, are amazingly agile and graceful, and give a very pleasing entertainment.

Jackie Coogan.

Jackie Coogan, in his latest picture "Johnny get your hair cut" is as charming as ever. There can be few people who do not look with a friendly eye on his smiling face, and admire his acting. But Jackie is by no means entirely responsible for the success of the film. It is a well worked out story rising to a dramatic climax, and with hardly any of the tiresome "Hollywoodisms" which mar so many films. The cast is good, not so brilliant that it over-shadows Jackie, but efficient enough to leave no weakness.

The appeal of children and animals always finds a response in an English audience and Jackie Coogan for all his ability as an actor is a very natural little boy and therein lies his charm. Those over-sophisticated baby stars whom the Americans find so cute are not a little distressing to many British parents, but Jackie shows as yet no sign of his bank roll and the petting he probably receives.

In "Johnny get your hair cut" this astonishing child turns from his slums to the turf and rides a race horse. We suppose it is probable that much of the race was faked or taken in slow motion, but the effect is realistic and most exciting. Two small boys seated just behind the writer shouted themselves hoarse during the race scene and quite evidently enjoyed every moment of the picture, one of them translating the captions into "pidgein" for the benefit of his amphy. Go and get my Laundry became, "go catches, washee!" There are few enough films which are suitable for children, and all parents will feel a debt of gratitude to Metro-Gwynne Mayer so producing one which gives them so much innocent pleasure.

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Beginning with a laugh and ending with a laugh, the new picture at the World Theatre yesterday and to-morrow, "Seven Keys to Baldpate," is a comedy which has the elements of an exciting mystery play. The story concerns a young novelist, who for the love of a girl, attempts the almost impossible task of writing a novel in twenty-four hours. The place he chooses for the task is Baldpate, a closed mountain inn, to which there is supposed to be only one key. Scarcely has he begun to write, however, than he is interrupted and it soon appears that there are not less than six other keys, each of which is used by an alarming caller.

"Wild Oats Lane."

Viola Dana and Robert Agnew play the leading roles in "Wild Oats Lane," the principle film in the continuous programme at the Star Theatre.

SHAREBROKER WINS HIS CASE.

GRANTED THREE MAJOR CLAIMS.

DEFENDANT SEVERELY CROSS-EXAMINED.

MR. JUSTICE WOOD'S DECISION.

The share case, in which the sum of \$33,818 was involved, and which has been before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) at the Supreme Court since Monday, was concluded yesterday afternoon.

His Lordship did not reserve judgment, but delivered it immediately after the addresses by Counsel had concluded.

He found for the plaintiff, Mr. M. A. Razack, a local sharebroker, on every claim, except one, the total amount being \$33,888.00. His Lordship found for defendant, Mr. P. N. Cooper, a merchant, of No. 12, D'Aguilar Street, on one claim, the fourth. The counter claim was dismissed, with costs, and plaintiff was awarded costs, less half a day.

Mr. Razack claimed, it will be remembered, \$33,818.00, in connection dealings, in Tramways, Green Island, Dock, Land and other shares prior to the crisis in the local share-market in June, 1925. The full claim was as under:—

\$7,025.50 balance due and owing to the plaintiff on account dated April 28th, 1925, \$1,730.08 on account dated May 21st, 1925, \$21,538.42, the difference due and owing to the plaintiff on the sale and purchase of 3,000 shares (new) in the Hong Kong Tramway Company, Limited; \$111.62 interest due and owing to the plaintiff on the said sum of \$21,538.42, and \$2,456.78 the difference due and owing to the plaintiff on the purchase price and interest thereon on the sale price of 800 shares (combined) in the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

The defendant filed a counter-claim which asked for damages for breach of contract. There was also a counter-claim for repayment of \$18,877, less the two several sums of \$2,456.78 and \$2,456.78 admitted by the defendant to be due to the plaintiff. Alternatively there was a claim for specific performance of the contract and damages for delay.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C. (instructed by Mr. J. M. Remedios, of Messrs. d'Almeida and Nephew) has been appearing for plaintiff, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. D. McCallum) was for the defendant.

The case was continued in the morning, when Mr. Cooper (defendant) was cross-examined by Mr. Alabaster principally with regard to the 1,500 tramway shares (old) and the contracts entered into by defendant in respect of them.

Replying to questions concerning share transactions in 1925, defendant said that on the Saturday morning before the June settlement day he was retained in one cover. They were sent to him for signature. He did not sign them, but returned them on the following Monday morning.

Mr. Alabaster: If there was only one cover why were two receipts made out?—I can't explain that. As far as I remember there was only one cover.

On the Monday morning the Sharebrokers' Association agreed to close—I have nothing to do with them.

But you knew it—Yes, I knew it in the afternoon.

I put it to you, Mr. Cooper, that you knew about this before you wrote repudiating your instructions?—I went out to fulfil my contracts and then I heard that the settlement day was to be postponed. That was about one o'clock on the Saturday.

Did you tell Mr. R. A. Razack that now the settlement was postponed you did not want the shares?—No.

You had no shares on the Saturday but you had to produce them on the Tuesday?—Yes.

And you saw Mr. Perry about them?—Yes.

I put it to you that you did not sign the contracts because you knew the Settlement had been postponed?—No. I went out to settle and then heard of it.

Mr. Cooper: I was asked by counsel as to statements made in his solicitor's letters that he (defendant) had actually produced and offered the shares to the plaintiff and that the plaintiff had refused to take them up.

"That statement is a lie," said counsel.

"What do you mean by a lie," asked witness.

Counsel: Something entirely and knowingly untrue.

Witness explained that it might be due to a misunderstanding as to the meaning of the word "produce." The shares might be lying in the bank, as they were in this case, and plaintiff still be in a position to "produce" them—metaphorically speaking.

Witness later admitted that his solicitors might have made a mistake.

Mr. Alabaster: You filed an affidavit in August 1925, in which you said, "On July 23rd, 1925, in fulfilment of my contract dated March 24th, I tendered for delivery to plaintiff in person 3,000 new shares and asked him for \$30,478.50 in payment therefor. He refused to accept same informing me that the matter was already in the hands of a solicitor." You did not in fact tender for delivery the

3,000 shares—I say I did tender them. I still say that I produced them. They were in the bank.

Which bank?—Mr. Kew will know.

You don't even know which bank they were in—You can find out what happened at the settlement.

It is because you say tendered the shares and that they were refused that you are counterclaiming \$18,000, which you say is due to you?—Yes.

In point of fact you did not tender those shares—I say I did.

Concluding Addresses.

In the afternoon Mr. Jenkin addressed the Court at length, and was followed, briefly, by Mr. Alabaster.

Mr. Jenkin dealt with a concession in connection with the first part of the claim by both parties, and said this was stated to have been agreed to between them.

Mr. Razack on that difference was very unsatisfactory, and he had failed to present to the Court a clear and concise case.

Coming to claim II, which had to do with \$27,000 in respect of the redemption of 300 Docks, Counsel said that plaintiff's case was that that sum was paid on account of the \$33,000 odd, but Counsel contended that the books produced by plaintiff really bore out defendant's case, and showed that the sum in question was accepted in complete settlement, and was not paid on account. This would dispose of \$1,730.08, which was claimed.

Speaking of the Tramway shares, Mr. Jenkin put it to His Lordship that the case of Mr. Razack was not true when he stated that he had delivered 3,000 shares on the April settlement to other people on behalf of defendant. The records of plaintiff did not show that he had.

Commenting on the evidence of Mr. Ho and plaintiff's son, who had spoken of the time when defendant was said to have given instruction for the purchase of the shares two years ago, Mr. Jenkin held that the English words used were to all intents and purposes identical, and he submitted that their evidence was "unsound" and had been "cooked."

Replying, Mr. Alabaster in a very brief address dealt with the concession in part II of the claim, and said that their case was that there was no such agreement to take a smaller sum in settlement of the larger one due.

Counsel expressed agreement with His Lordship that the balance of \$1,730.08 claimed did not appear in any of the books as a carry forward, and His Lordship commented "I think the books are against you."

Counsel then went on to deal with the obligation of defendant to deliver 3,000 shares for which he was to receive a cheque for an agreed sum.

The Judgment.

His Lordship announced that he would not reserve judgment in the case as he had made up his mind.

Giving judgment His Lordship said:—As to the first item for \$7,025.50 I find for the plaintiff. I do not accept the defendant's evidence on this point. I do not believe it. It seems to me that it is important for this decision that when the claim was set out in Mr. Razack's letter, the payment of \$5,000 on account was never advanced by the defendant in reply. The defendant's own account seems to be material evidence against him on this point.

As to the second item, the claim for \$1,730.08. On that account I find for the defendant. The plaintiff's books nowhere carry forward that sum as a balance against the defendant, and in my view the plaintiff's books themselves substantially support the defendant's evidence on this particular point.

As regards the third item in the claim, the question of fact involved is whether, on June 20th, the defendant did or did not give the plaintiff instructions to buy 3,000 new Tramway shares. I believe the evidence given by the plaintiff, of Mr. Ho and by the plaintiff's son on this point, even though, as Mr. Jenkin has remarked, that evidence was very carefully prepared. I find that those shares were purchased by the plaintiff on the defendant's instructions. My finding, therefore, on the third part of the claim, \$21,538.42, including the interest, is for the plaintiff.



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As to the fourth item of the claim, \$2,456, which is not in dispute, I give judgment for the plaintiff.

The counter claim is dismissed with costs.

On the application of Mr. Alabaster, plaintiff was allowed costs, less half a day.

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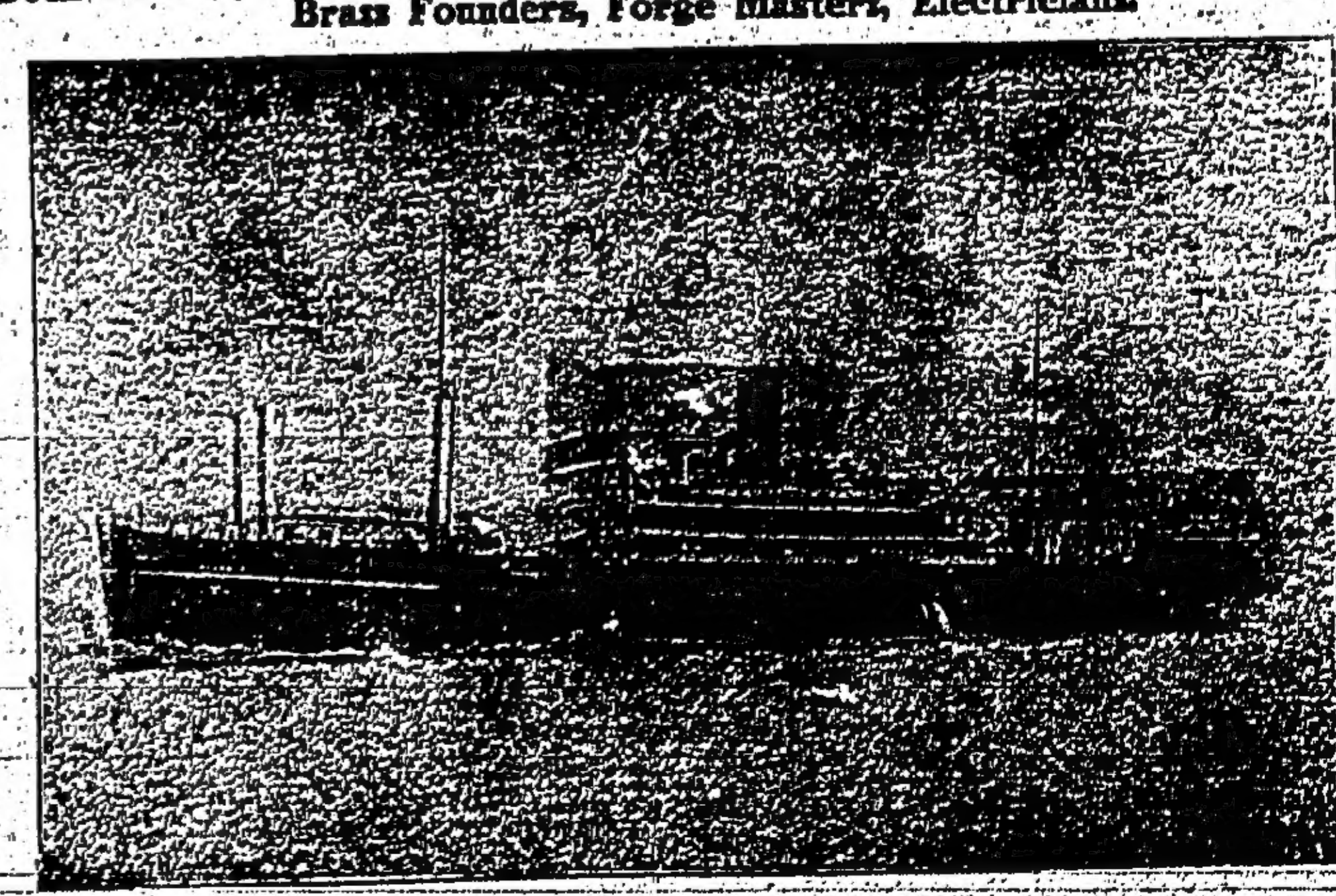
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Hung An, Chinese str., 2,007 tons, Capt. A. Laitovetsky, from Canton, lying at Yaumati.—Wing Hong S.S. Co.

Nagapore, British str., 3,223 tons, Capt. Charles W. Cartwright, from Rotterdam and Singapore. The latter port she left on August 20th, with general cargo and explosives, amounting to 1,834 tons, lying at buoy No. A1.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Palmberg, Dutch str., 1,970 tons, Capt. H. Ph. Meyer, from Balikpapan and Shanghai. The latter port she left on August 27th, with a cargo of caudles, lying at Kowloon Bay.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

September 1st.
Bandong Maru, Japanese 2,451 tons, Capt. D. Ozawa, from Karatsu, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A26.—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.

Ceylon Maru, Japanese str., 4,906 tons, Capt. Mishima, from Singapore, which port she left on August 25th, with 1,100 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Book Hong, Chinese str., 1,218 tons, Capt. R. Maternati, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B47.—Sun Fat S.S. Co.

Guthrie, German str., 4,367 tons, Capt. Kurt von Parpart, from Shanghai, which port she left on August 28th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A24.—Melchers & Co.

Hin Sang, British schooner, 1,535 Sandakan, which port she left on July 24th, with a cargo of timber, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. T. H. Ball, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Munsterland, German motor ship, 3,584 tons, Capt. W. Hennecke, from Hamburg and Foochow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10.—Jensen & Co.

Phenax, Chinese str., 1,022 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B20.—Chau Yu Teng.

Raymond Poincaré, French str., 1,197 tons, Capt. Loree, from Pakhoi, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C16.—Yik Cheng S.S. Co.

Togo Maru, No. 1, Japanese str., 1,310 tons, Capt. K. Kajikawa, from Tsingtau, which port she left on August 25th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B18.—M.B.K.

Vulcanus, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. D. de Muinet, from Swatow, lying at Taikokisui.—A.P.C.

CLEARANCES.

September 1st.
Ceylon Maru, for Moji.
Chung Kong, for Tourane.
Dunlop, from Chinwangtao.
Derwent, for Swatow.
Dorry, for Tourane.
Eiger, for Canton.
Empress of Asia, for Manila.
Fook Hong, for Canton.
Guthrie, for Singapore.
Halvard, for Amoy.
Hydrangea, for Swatow.
Kathe, for Daifeng.
Munsterland, for Manila.
Orin, for Hoihow.
Princent, for Saigon.
Raymond Poincaré, for Swatow.
Togo, for Manila.
Vulcanus, for Miri.
Yat Shing, for Shanghai.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Tijkarung* (J.C.I.L.), from Batavia, is expected here today, and will sail for Shanghai and Keelung on September 5th.
The s.s. *Tijpenn* (J.C.I.L.), from Java and Manila, is expected to arrive here on September 4th, and will sail for Swatow and Saigon on September 6th.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships in port yesterday were: South Wall Basin, *Zarantula*, *Robin* and *Faulkner*; East Wall Basin, *L15* and *L10*; North Arm, *Indefatigable*; in Dock, *Somme*, *Seraph* and *Serpis*; Tatoo Dock, *Teri* and *Peterel*; Kowloon Dock, *Magnum*; No. 4 Buoy, *Despatch*; No. 10 Buoy, *Cleat*; No. 12 Buoy, *Republic* (Portuguese); No. 19 Buoy, *Ruthenia*; No. 22 Buoy, *Rhaki*; Oil Fuel Jetty, *Belgo*.
Foreign Men of War:—*Prague*; *22nd*; *23rd*; *24th*; *25th*; *26th*; *27th*; *28th*; *29th*; *30th*; *31st*; *32nd*; *33rd*; *34th*; *35th*; *36th*; *37th*; *38th*; *39th*; *40th*; *41st*; *42nd*; *43rd*; *44th*; *45th*; *46th*; *47th*; *48th*; *49th*; *50th*; *51st*; *52nd*; *53rd*; *54th*; *55th*; *56th*; *57th*; *58th*; *59th*; *60th*; *61st*; *62nd*; *63rd*; *64th*; *65th*; *66th*; *67th*; *68th*; *69th*; *70th*; *71st*; *72nd*; *73rd*; *74th*; *75th*; *76th*; *77th*; *78th*; *79th*; *80th*; *81st*; *82nd*; *83rd*; *84th*; *85th*; *86th*; *87th*; *88th*; *89th*; *90th*; *91st*; *92nd*; *93rd*; *94th*; *95th*; *96th*; *97th*; *98th*; *99th*; *100th*.



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Pres. Pierce ... Tues. Oct. 11th	Pres. Madison ... Wed. Oct. 5th
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Pres. Monroe ... Tues. Sept. 27th, 8 a.m.	Pres. Polk ... Tues. Nov. 22nd, 8 a.m.
Pres. Wilson ... Tues. Oct. 11th, 8 a.m.	
To MANILA	
Pres. Lincoln ... Sept. 30th, 6 p.m.	Pres. Cleveland ... Sept. 19th, 4 p.m.
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Pres. Grant ... Sept. 13th, 6 p.m.	Pres. Madison ... Sept. 27th, 6 p.m.

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CANTON ... "FOOSHING"	Saturday, 3rd Sept. at 9 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "HOPSANG"	Sunday, 4th Sept. at 10 a.m.
TIEN TSIEN via SHANGHAI ... "CHIPSING"	Monday, 5th Sept. at 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI ... "YUENSANG"	Tuesday, 6th Sept. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ... "KUTSANG"	Tuesday, 6th Sept. at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "CHAKSANG"	Wednesday, 7th Sept. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN ... "HINSANG"	Saturday, 10th Sept. at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "KWAISANG"	Sunday, 11th Sept. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ... "NAMSANG"	Monday, 12th Sept. at 10 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE ... "LAISANG"	Tuesday, 13th Sept. at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "KWONGSANG"	Wednesday, 14th Sept. at 10 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ... "HANGSANG"	Sunday, 18th Sept. at 10 a.m.
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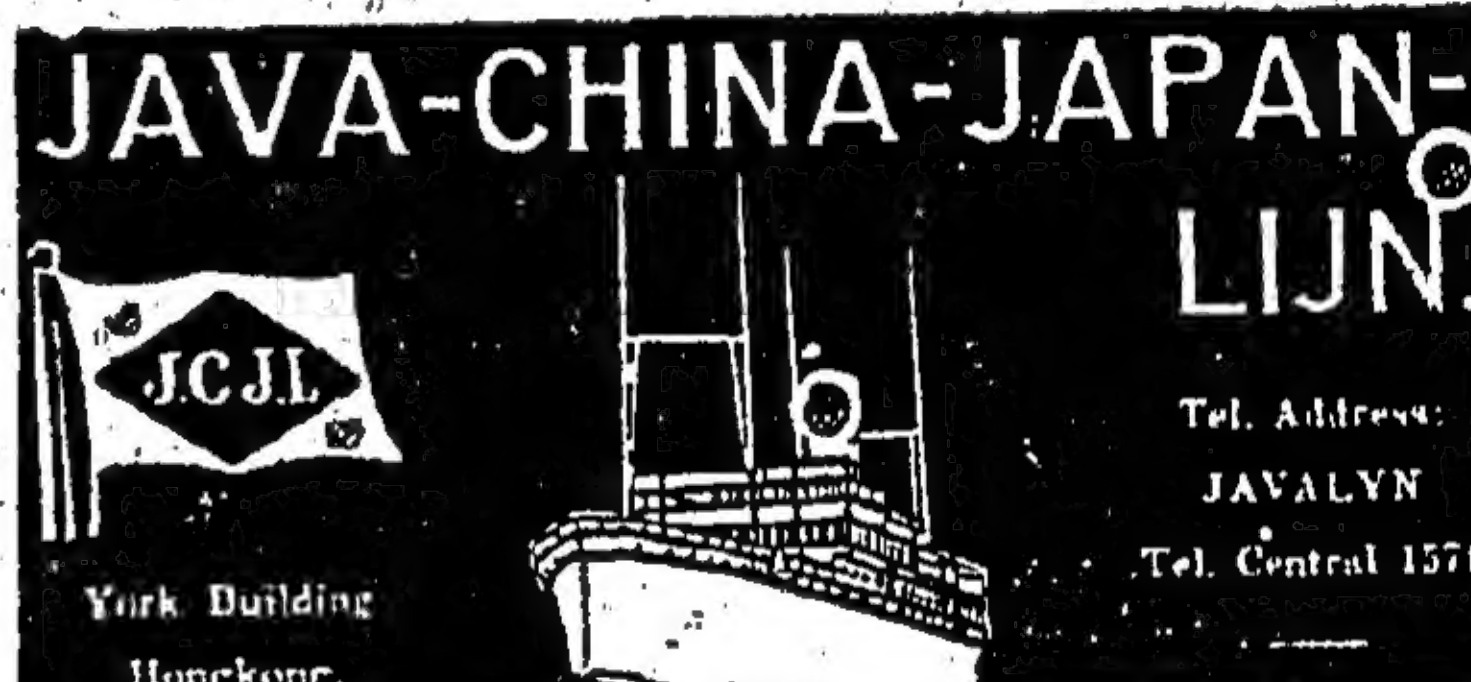
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TIJEMBANG	SHANGHAI, K'UNG.	6th "	8th "	BATAVIA
TIJODAS	JAVA, MAKASSAR	12th "	14th "	AMUT & N. CHINA
TIJMANOEK	N. O. & AMOT	12th "	14th "	MAKASSAR & JAVA
TIJAROEK	BATAVIA	18th "	22nd "	SHANGHAI, K'UNG.
TIJIKARANG	SHANGHAI, K'UNG.	20th "	22nd "	BATAVIA
TIJIKINI	JAVA, MAKASSAR	26th "	28th "	AMUT & N. CHINA
TIJAROEK	N. O. & AMOT	26th "	28th "	BATAVIA
TIJONARI	BATAVIA	2nd Oct.	6th Oct.	SHANGHAI, K'UNG.
TIJAROEK	SHANGHAI, K'UNG.	4th "	6th "	BATAVIA
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

FAIR CARGOES ALL ROUND.

LOCAL IMPORTS MOSTLY ON
BRITISH STEAMERS.

The returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that both local imports and freights for other ports were fair. Most of the cargoes unloaded here were contributed by British steamers, but through freights were heavy on German vessels.

Twelve vessels discharged here yesterday and the total amount unloaded was 12,597 tons. Of these, 10,507 tons were accounted by six British steamers. The two best returns were shown by the British ships *Hin Sang* and *Yagpore*. The former vessel from Sandakan had 4,200 tons and the latter from Rotterdam and Singapore contributed 3,900 tons.

Through cargoes were carried by nine steamers and amounted to 13,121 tons. Three British vessels were responsible for 3,989 tons.

The two best returns were shown by German ships. The *a.s. Munsterland*, from Hamburg carried 5,300 tons and the *Gotha*, from Shanghai, manifested 4,804 tons.

There were 16 arrivals and 14 departures during the period under review. The nationalities were:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	7	3
German	3	1
Dutch	2	2
Danish	1	0
Japanese	2	2
Chinese	1	2
American	0	1
French	0	1
Norwegian	0	2

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR SEPTEMBER, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th
MERIDIAN, EAST OF
GREENWICH.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
Sept. 2nd.....6.08 a.m.	6.40 p.m.	
3rd.....6.09	6.39	
4th.....6.07	6.38	
5th.....6.07	6.37	
6th.....6.07	6.36	
7th.....6.07	6.35	
8th.....6.08	6.34	
9th.....6.08	6.33	
10th.....6.08	6.32	
11th.....6.09	6.31	
12th.....6.08	6.30	
13th.....6.09	6.29	
14th.....6.09	6.28	
15th.....6.10	6.27	
16th.....6.10	6.26	
17th.....6.11	6.25	
18th.....6.11	6.24	
19th.....6.11	6.23	
20th.....6.11	6.22	
21st.....6.12	6.21	
22nd.....6.12	6.20	
23rd.....6.12	6.19	
24th.....6.12	6.17	
25th.....6.13	6.17	
26th.....6.13	6.16	
27th.....6.14	6.15	
28th.....6.14	6.14	
29th.....6.14	6.13	
30th.....6.14	6.13	

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THE "RAWALPINDI'S" QUICK
PASSAGE TO SINGAPORE.

DERELICT JUNK WARNING.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

SINGAPORE, August 25th.
The *Rawalpindi*, is due here at daylight to-morrow from Hong Kong and will leave at 8 a.m. on Saturday.

Departure from Singapore was scheduled for to-morrow, but the typhoon at Hong Kong caused delay, and the *Rawalpindi* is accomplishing an exceptional run to make up lost time.

On A Desert Island.

When the *Takada* arrived at Singapore on August 24th, her commander reported that when they passed Tree Island they saw that a tongkang had been sunk and the crew of five were on the island and required assistance. As the B.I. steamer passed they were waving pieces of cloth as a signal that they wished to be taken off. A launch was sent from Singapore to take them off on receipt of the report.

Collision At Singapore Docks.

Whilst the N.Y.K. steamer *Ceylon Maru* was entering the Albert Dock, Singapore, a collision occurred with the *Kuranda*, which was proceeding from the dockside towards the entrance. It is believed that only slight damage was sustained by the vessels, but the exact extent of the damage will not be known until the steamers have been examined. The *Kuranda* is a vessel of 553 tons net and was outwards bound for Sibiu, whilst the *Ceylon Maru* is 2,998 tons net and arrived from Calcutta.

Dangerous Goods.

Dangerous goods manifested on vessels arriving here yesterday were 137 tons of explosives and 15 tons of safety cartridges on the *a.s. Nagpore*, from Rotterdam and Singapore. On board the *Sung Shan Maru*, from Shanghai and Swatow were 1,823 packages of fire crackers.

Unemployed Seaman.

An unemployed seaman named John Macdonald was yesterday morning brought before Mr. R. E. Lindsell charged with being found in the Colony without employment or visible means of support. He was sent to the House of Detention pending Government arrangements for his repatriation.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

There were 2,201 Asiatic deck passengers entering the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. These were brought by six steamers.

Derelict—Dangerous to Navigation.

A wireless message was received at the Harbour Office yesterday that a derelict junk was sighted off West Brother Island by the *a.s. Langsham*. The derelict is dismantled and is considered a danger to navigation. The Harbour Authorities had ordered this fact to be broadcasted by radio for two days.

The *Michael Jensen* from Swatow in ballast, has been taken in hand at Kowloon Dock for survey after her maiden trip to the East.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Achilles (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 13th.
Aeneas (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 28th.
Angers (M.M.), due September 13th.
Arafura (E. & A.), due October 3rd.
Bengal (Ben Line), due to-day.
Bolton Castle (Doddwell), due Sept. 24th.
Calcutta (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 13th.
Capitaine Faure (M.M.), due Sept. 20th.
City of Bombay (Bank Line), due to-morrow.
City of Salford (Bank Line), due October 1st.
City of Tokio (Bank Line), due November 20th.
City of Wellington (Bank Line), due October 15th.
D'Arctique (M.M.), due September 27th.
Devon (P. & O.), due December 23rd.
Diomed (Blue Funnel), due October 8th.
Equinox (Doddwell), due September 15th.
Kurylochus (Blue Funnel), due September 6th.
Eurylylus (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 25th.
General Metzing (M.M.), due October 11th.
Japanese Prince (Furness, E.E.), due September 13th.
Kashgar (P. & O.), due November 25th.
Kashmir (P. & O.), due September 20th.
Keoman (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 20th.
Leysan (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 15th.
Macedonia (P. & O.), due October 14th.
Malwa (P. & O.), due September 15th.
Manila (P. & O.), due November 11th.
Mongolia (P. & O.), due October 25th.
Mure (P. & O.), due this morning.
Nyanga (P. & O.), due September 21st.
Orestes (Blue Funnel), due October 30th.
Phemius (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 31st.
Portus (M.M.), due November 9th.
Protestant (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 25th.
Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 20th.
Si-Kiang (M.M.), due October 21st.
Sphinx (M.M.), due October 25th.
St. Albans (E. & A.), due Sept. 4th.
Sumatra (Swedish East Asiatic Co. Ltd.), due September 24th.
Talamba (B.I. & Apear), due Sept. 6th.
Talwa (B.I. & Apear), due Sept. 10th.
Tatlythius (Blue Funnel), due Nov. 15th.
Teiresias (Blue Funnel), due Oct. 16th.
Tilawa (B.I. & Apear), due Sept. 4th.
Tjikerang (J.C.J.L.), due to-day.

Notice to Mariners.

A notice issued by the Maritime Customs Marine Department at Shanghai states "that owing to Chinese Naval and Military operations, the lights on the following aids to navigation in the North Channel approach to the Yangtze River are temporarily discontinued. Drinkwater Point Light Vessel, Laichiao Buoy, East Entrance Buoy, Crossing Buoy and Shoal Buoy. The charts affected are Marine Department Charts No. 1.

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"MOREA"	10,983	3rd Sept, Noon	Marseilles and London.
"NOVARA"	8,383	10th Sept.	Marseilles and London.
"KIDDERPORE"	8,383	17th Sept.	Straits, Colombo and Bombay.
"DEVANHA"	8,145	1st Oct.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & Hull.
"KHYBER"	9,114	1st Oct.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & Hull.
"NYANZA"	7,023	15th Oct.	Straits, Colombo and Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,983	15th Oct.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	29th Oct.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & Hull.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	12th Nov.	Marseilles and London.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	20th Nov.	do.
"MANU"	10,983	12th Dec.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	24th Dec.	do.
"MOREA"	10,983	7th Jan, 1928	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,145	21st Jan.	do.
"MALWA"	10,983	4th Feb.	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	18th Feb.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	3rd Mar.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	10th Mar.	do.
"MANU"	10,983	17th Mar.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	31st Mar.	do.
"MALWA"	10,983	7th April	do.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	14th April	do.
"MOREA"	10,983	28th April	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th May	do.

* Does not carry passengers. † Passengers to Singapore only.

* Calls at Port Said. † Does not carry 2nd class passengers.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Piræus, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong	Destination
"TALAMBA"	8,018	6th Sept.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"TALMA"	10,000	14th Sept.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	30th Sept.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	6th Oct.	do.

* Calls at Hongkong.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong	Destination
"TANDA"	8,956	2nd Sept, 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thiruvananthapuram, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	30th Sept.	do.
"ARAFURA"	4,000	25th Oct.	do.
"TANDA"	8,956	2nd Dec.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	30th Dec.	do.

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hong Kong to Japan & Hong Kong to Australia. The P. & O. S.S. Co., Ltd. steamers will also call at Shanghai, Hio, Cebu, Kolambangan, Java, Sumatra, or other ports en route as indicated.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following—
The Union S.S. Co.'s Steamers to London via New Zealand
Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.

The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Steamers of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong	Destination
"NAUPORE"	5,283	2nd Sept, 5 p.m.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	2nd Sept, 5 p.m.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"TILAWA"	10,000	6th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"TAKLIWA"	7,938	14th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,983	14th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"NYANZA"	7,023	22nd Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	30th Sept.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	4,000	4th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	12th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	20th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"TANDA"	8,956	8th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"MANU"	10,983	12th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	24th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	6th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.

